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CALLING THEM TO TAW.

One wing of the Populist party, which, we believe, represents the Middle-of-the-Road patriots, has called a national convention to meet at Cincinnati on the 6th of September, to nominate candidates for President and Vice-President.

We are surprised and mortified. Surely no enemy of the People's Party could strike it a harder blow than those pretended friends of Populism have aimed at it.

The Populist Party claims to be the party of the people. It is the party of the people who are tired of the rule of the few.

While we do not subscribe to all of this there is a big chunk of truth in it, as far as the tart lecture to the leaders of the factions goes.

It should not take long to decide what to do with Admiral Cervera. He should be promptly paroled, and permitted to go anywhere he pleases within the borders of this country.

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THE SITUATION AT SANTIAGO.

Spanish Proposals Submitted But Will Not Be Considered By U. S. Officials.

UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER.

Probability That the Bombardment Will Be Carried Out as Originally Intended by the Commander of the American Forces.

By Telegram to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—A cablegram was received from General Shafter tonight which is understood to make certain recommendations as to action upon the Spanish proposals for conditional capitulation. Immediately after its receipt Secretary Alger, Secretary Long and Adjutant General Corbin went to the White House and are now in conference with the President.

The conference broke up shortly after midnight. Secretary Alger said there had been no reports of firing or action. "But," he added, "there has been some talk of surrender. A proposition that the Spanish will not be considered, and things, I think, will go on about as they were intended." "Do you mean by that," he was asked, "that the bombardment will be carried out?" "I can't say definitely," he replied.

Orders have been issued that each regiment in the American lines hoist a flag on the trenches in front of the position it occupies. This gives the Spaniards a means of ascertaining the extent and location of our lines, but also makes a very imposing appearance. This morning nearly a score of standards were hoisted at various points along the works, which are now nearly four miles long and enclosing the city on the two sides. It had been expected that a number of sharpshooters be formed from each regiment and battalion in the army, to be commanded by officers of practical proficiency.

Gen. Miles Expected.

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IN FRONT OF SANTIAGO, July 8, 4 P. M., via Kingston, July 8.—General Shafter has been advised from Washington, under date of July 6, as follows: "Gen. Miles, with heavy reinforcements, leaves to-morrow. Use the greatest care in investing Santiago." This is believed by everybody here to mean that hostilities will not be resumed by our side unless they are forced to an advantage. Spanish supplies arriving. Refugees, many of them starving, although loaded with jewels and money, are struggling along the road from San Juan to Siboney. The bodies of four men were apparently well-to-do, were found on the road today. There is no place for the refugees here. It is probable that the Cubans have been forced to camp elsewhere and leave their base of supplies.

CHICKAMAUGA PARK.

First Ohio Cavalry Ordered to Santiago. The First Corps Said to Move. Troops Paid Off.

By Telegram to the Morning Star.

CHICKAMAUGA NATIONAL PARK, July 9.—Owing to the disorders in Chattanooga that have followed the payment of the soldiers at this camp, General Brooke has issued a stringent order, allowing only two men from one company, troop or battery, to be absent from camp at one time. This order is being rigidly enforced.

The First Ohio Cavalry today received orders to prepare to move on Tuesday next, and proceed to Tampa, where they will embark for Santiago. Major Nye, commissary of subsistence of the supply depot at Chattanooga, says that only 300,000 "travel rations" have been purchased and had been shipped to this point. It is understood that this supply is for the First Corps which is under waiting orders to move to the front as soon as transportation can be secured.

There are now at the Park almost 25,000 men. There are only about 200 ill at the Letter Hospital. The most serious cases are taken. The paymasters completed their work today. They estimate that they have paid out nearly \$3,000,000.

CAMARA'S SQUADRON

Sailed Yesterday from Port Said for Carthage.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PORT SAID, July 9.—At 5 P. M. today the Spanish warships, colliers and troopships sailed for Carthage.

ON WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH.

Delegates to Congressional Convention Entertained by New Hanover Delegation at Seashore Hotel.

Having discharged their business in Wilmington in a manner highly satisfactory to themselves, the delegates to the Congressional Convention devoted yesterday to pleasure-seeking. All were in good spirits, for they felt that Democratic prospects in the Sixth were brighter than they had been in some time. They reported promptly at the Wilmington Seacoast depot in time to take the 10.10 train for the beach. The rain poured down all the way, and many of the delegates, the most of whom were in an open car, had their clothes but not their spirits pretty well damped.

At the Seashore Hotel all the delegates took dinner as the special guests of the New Hanover delegation. Manager Campbell gave them a good meal which was eaten while an Italian band discoursed sweet music. When it struck up on "Dixie" the usual enthusiasm which that air evokes was displayed. It was purely an informal affair, and some of the delegates were in such excellent spirits that they got up from the table and tripped the light fantastic vigorously, much to the amusement of the others.

There were no special toasts made but when John D. Bellamy, Esq., candidate for Congress, entered the dining room there was great enthusiasm. The visiting delegates were much delighted with the hospitable way in which they were entertained by the home delegation.

The train returning to the city left at 2 P. M., and most of all the delegates came up, so as to be able to leave for their homes the same afternoon.

The committee of arrangements to whose untiring efforts the successful entertainment of the delegates was so largely due consisted of Col. F. W. Keeler, Dr. W. C. Gallaway, and Messrs. D. C. Love, H. P. West, F. H. Stegman, M. W. Jacobs and J. M. McGowan.

FORT CASWELL.

Government Will Make It One of the Best Fortified Posts on the Coast.

Fort Caswell will be made almost impregnable by the time the government gets through with it. It already has four eight-inch guns and preparations are being made for the placing of two twelve-inch guns. With eight mortars and several rapid-fire guns, all of which will be in place in due time, Wilmington will have a good protection as any city on the coast.

Now necessary to the force of soldiers are made very frequently, and there are now about 150 regular soldiers of the United States army at the fort.

The following heavy artillery recruits came from Boston last evening on their way to Caswell: J. J. Sullivan, Jno. F. Fields, Martin Flaherty, James Moylan and Patrick Murphy.

DEATH OF MR. T. E. GARRETT.

One of Red Spring's Leading Business Men—Recently Married.

RED SPRING, July 9.—This community mourns the death of Mr. T. E. Garrett, one of its best young business men. Mr. Garrett died at his residence at 3.30 P. M. today. He leaves a young widow, to whom he had been married only sixteen days.

Robbed of His Money.

David Wood, a colored man living near Acorn Branch, about four miles from the city, was robbed of \$25 and a pass-book showing \$50 deposited in the Atlantic National Bank on last Wednesday. Wood was sick in bed when the robbery was committed and did not learn of his loss until the thieves had made their escape. Certain other colored people in the neighborhood are suspected, though as yet there is no positive proof of the guilt of any one.

From Wilmington to Washington.

Mr. R. E. Pipkin, who is the manager of the excursion from Wilmington to Washington City, on Tuesday, July 19th, was a visitor to the city yesterday. He said that he had never had so many inquiries about an excursion as about this. As a result of the reading notices in the papers many have become interested in a written the manager for full information.

Dr. Hoge on His Way Home.

Dr. Peyton H. Hoge of this city was a passenger on the North German Lloyd steamer *Lahn*, which arrived in New York on Thursday, July 7th. He has gone first to visit his family, in Raleigh, but will be in Wilmington some time this week and will preach for his congregation—the First Presbyterian Church—on next Sunday, July 17th, after an absence of over five months spent in Europe and the Holy Land.

Critical Illness of Miss Bessie Wiggins.

A telegram received here yesterday announced the critical illness of Miss Bessie Wiggins at Newport News. Miss Wiggins is very well known in Wilmington having been for quite a while a telegraph operator at the Western Union. Her friends hope that her illness is not as serious as was gathered from the tone of the telegram.

Minister of War Corrae who could hardly "restrain his joyful emotions" when he heard how Montojo did Dewey up, may now give full vent to them.

A DELIGHTFUL WEDDING.

Marriage of Miss Nyda Hicks, of Faison, to Mr. Carleton E. Weatherly, of Baltimore.

Tuesday morning, July 8th, the Presbyterian church at Faison, N. C., was crowded with the friends who had come to witness the marriage of Miss Nyda Hicks, of Faison, to Mr. Carleton E. Weatherly, of Baltimore.

While awaiting the arrival of the bride, the care of the assembly was committed to the Rev. Mr. Weatherly, who was assisted by Mrs. B. E. Witherington, and their eyes feasted upon the beauty of the decorations which bore emphatic testimony to the taste and skill of several of our most popular young ladies.

Promptly at 10.30, the organist began to play the exquisite "Bridal March" from Lohengrin. The Rev. Mr. McIntyre took his stand in front of the flower banked pulpit, and the ushers, Messrs. F. L. Sisson, E. G. Raymond, Weatherly, Patsy Pierce and L. Frank Faison, advanced up the aisle followed by a vision of fair women robed in white; Miss Sally Hines, Miss Annie Hines, Miss Nell De Vane, Miss Isabelle Hines, Miss Lydia Fryar, and Miss Annie Southland won the admiration of all beholders as they glided into view. Then came the bride, leaning on the arm of her father, Capt. L. H. Hicks, and followed by her dame of honor, Mrs. W. C. Gallaway, advanced in heliotope and white, a majestic contrast with the bevy of maidens who preceded her. It is often said that all brides are fair by courtesy, but this one was far in truth, her travelling frock of gray being remarkably becoming and throwing the bride's complexion into relief. Willow grace is one of her distinctive charms, and it was never more in evidence. In the meantime, the groom, accompanied by his best man, Mr. Charles Weatherly, advanced from the vestry to receive the bride.

The ceremony was impressive, as it always is when Mr. McIntyre officiates, and then the party left the church, the triumphant strains of the organ rattling the pealing of the wedding bells.

In spite of the heat a large crowd gathered at the station to see the young couple off for a Northern bridal trip, and no one who knows the bride and groom will dispute the rays of a July sun will need further proof of their great popularity.

On Monday evening a large reception was given at the home of Capt. Hicks, where the friends were admitted to view an unusually pretty and valuable collection of presents.

The occasion was a true gathering of the clans from far and near, and every one had a most delightful time.

CANDIDATE BELLAMY.

What the Charlotte Observer Says of the Democratic Congressional Candidate of the Sixth District.

The Observer dips its flag to John D. Bellamy, Jr., the Democratic nominee for Congress in this district. He is known to many of the readers of this paper, and known favorably to all who know him at all. A biographical sketch appearing in another column, tells that he is a native of Wilmington, a graduate of Davidson College, a member of the Wilmington bar, enjoying a full practice. He is as genial a gentleman as the State affords; a man of ability; a man of phlegmatic temperament, and such an one as, being a Representative in Congress, would do for his people all possible for any man to do.

There is almost a perfect comparison between him with the person who now draws the salary as the Representative of this district—this poor creature has won the charity of silence. There is almost a perfect comparison between him and his present competitor, the senile, changeable and unsuccessful Doorkery—a standing candidate who takes it out in running.

Notwithstanding the record of the district in the last election, we believe that Mr. Bellamy is to be elected, as he should be; basing this belief on the fact that he was done by the sense of the people.

Recruits for Company K.

Private H. E. Frazier, of Company K, Second regiment, North Carolina volunteers, who was here last Sunday going out to Whiteville to enlist recruits, passed through the city yesterday going back to camp. He had four recruits with him, as follows: Geo. B. Clark, Norman A. Morrison, and Horace Nealy, of Chadbourn, and A. B. Hardee, of Whiteville.

Commander Morton Placed in Command.

A telegram received yesterday from Commander Geo. W. Morton, at Port Royal, by Mr. Jesse Wilder, announced that Commander Morton was placed in command of the ship yesterday at noon. This news will be gratifying to the numerous friends of Mr. Morton all over the State, who have felt all along that he was kept out of the place that rightfully belonged to him.

Conthage Blade: Constable David Knight, of Aberdeen, arrested Archie McVee (colored) at Sanford Sunday for the murder of Contractor Howie on the Moore county railroad. The murder was committed near Fragmoine, just over the line in Montgomery county.

Wilson Times: Wilson now has a new postmaster. Sam Vick, a colored man, was appointed postmaster of this city, now has charge of the mails here. Mr. Wm. Harris, the former postmaster, was relieved by Vick last Friday. Vick was postmaster here during the Harrison administration.

Don't forget Pipkin's excursion to Washington, July 19th. On that day you can go to the capital city and return two days later for only \$8.00. Or you can go to Norfolk and Old Point and return for only \$3.00. What you will see and learn on this trip will be worth many times what it will cost you. Messrs. W. L. Jacobs and Arthur Prempert will furnish all necessary particulars.

CANDIDATE BELLAMY.

Raleigh Post and News and Observer Say That He is the Man For the Place.

[Raleigh Post.]

The Democracy of the State is putting its best foot forward this year. Already with Crawford and Thomas in the field, Bellamy has been added in the 6th. This means heroic assaults upon the enemy, and though the latter may fight with the desperation of Spaniards, the true American manhood, represented by our candidates will make a Santiago work of it.

There were splendid men to choose from in each of the counties of the Sixth district. But our friends have chosen wisely in selecting Mr. Bellamy. Able, honest, fearless, a thorough man of the people, he will make a representative of which the State and party will be proud.

[Raleigh News and Observer.]

Mr. John D. Bellamy, of New Hanover, who has been named for Congress in the Sixth district, is an able and influential Democrat who rings clear for the principles enunciated in the Chicago platform. He will ably preach the principles of Democracy in his campaign, and will stimulate the party to renewed zeal.

As a State Senator Mr. Bellamy made a reputation that was deserved. He will make a Congressman of whom the district and State will be proud, and the many indications that he will rout the enemy will multiply after his campaign of sound doctrine and, through the power of the District, will strike where his bids will be effective.

There has been no truer and more vigorous arraignment of the present disgraceful State administration than is contained in the following extract from Mr. Bellamy's speech of acceptance.

[Readers of the STAR are familiar with the portion of Mr. Bellamy's speech referred to by the News and Observer.]

FIRE AT BENNETTSVILLE.

Furniture Store and Stock Destroyed. Other Property Damaged.

BENNETTSVILLE, S. C., July 8.—At 12.30 o'clock this morning fire was discovered in the store of Geo. W. Waddill's furniture store. The store and stock are a total loss. J. L. Douglas's stock of drugs and building were damaged. T. J. Caple, Frank Covington and Willis Turlington, grocers, sustained losses in moving stocks. All losses fully covered, except Waddill's, who will sustain a small loss above insurance.

ANOTHER FIRE AT McCOLL.

Three Buildings and Several Stocks of Goods Destroyed.

[Special Star Correspondence.]

McCOLL, S. C., July 8.

Fletcher Brothers' stock and ice house and J. S. Bundy's store, in which the postoffice was located, were totally destroyed by fire this morning.

The building in which Fletcher Brothers kept belonged to A. R. Odum, and was insured for \$500, value about \$800. The stock was insured for \$1,000. The building in which the postoffice and store of Mr. Bundy were kept was the property of Mr. Luther McLaurin, of McColl, and was insured for \$10,000. It is not known whether it was insured or not. The stock of goods had only \$200 insurance, value not known.

The stock in the building were saved, and most of Mr. Bundy's stock. It has been only one month since there was a destructive fire in the same locality. No account of the origin of the fire, in either case, can be given. There is strong suspicion of incendiarism, though the suspicion has fallen upon no one, so far as your correspondent knows.

COMPANY K OF SECOND REGIMENT.

Target Practice Engaged in Friday by Capt. Don MacRae's Company.

[News and Observer, July 9th.]

The biggest incident connected with the day's routine at Camp Russell yesterday was the prize target practice engaged in during the afternoon by Capt. Donald MacRae's Wilmington company. It was held under the new regulation at Calanette Target, and the marksmanship showed that it would be awfully dangerous for Spaniards to stand in front of the Wilmington boys. The distance was 200 yards, and many of the bullets of the boys penetrated the target. The prize was won by David J. Green, of Whiteville, a private in Capt. MacRae's company, who made 23 out of a possible 25. The entire practice was very creditable and showed the men of the company are good marksmen.

CONVENTION ECHOES.

Mecklenburg Delegates Loud in Their Expression of Appreciation.

[Charlotte Observer.]

The Mecklenburg delegates to the Congressional Convention at Wilmington returned Thursday night. They were loud in their expression of appreciation of the manner in which New Hanover treated them. The delegates were shown, not the least of which was an outing to the coast. "We never have been treated so cleverly," said one of the delegates yesterday. "The people of New Hanover are the most hospitable and cordial I ever saw."

Mecklenburg went down to nominate Bellamy; did so, and came back happy.

REVENUE STAMP ACT.

Fight on Refusal of Telegraph Companies to Receive Unstamped Dispatches.

COMPLAINTS WILL BE MADE.

Department Rulings as to Other Questions Under the Law—New Telephone Exchange for Raleigh. Raleigh & Cape Fear R. R.

[Special Star Correspondence.]

RALEIGH, N. C., July 9.

There is to be a desperate fight made here over the stamping of telegrams. The news comes from Statesville—that Railroad Commissioner Caldwell presented a telegram to the operator of the Western Union Telegraph Company, telling him that if it was not sent he would hold the company responsible. The operator telegraphed to the company's headquarters, and acting on instructions stamped and sent the message. This morning a newspaper correspondent here accompanied by several witnesses, filed a message at 11 o'clock, telling the manager that he would again file messages during the day without stamps, and that if they were not delivered promptly he would take the matter to the District Attorney and have the company prosecuted. Manager Edgerton telegraphed to headquarters for instructions. Newspaper correspondents have been required to stamp all messages and this has caused much dissatisfaction among them.

A correspondent has served notice that he will bring the matter before the Railroad Commission on July 12th and will test the Commission's jurisdiction. This falling, he says he will carry the matter to the Federal Court. Lieutenant Holmes Conrad and wife left here today for Wrightsville Beach to spend Sunday. Lieutenant Conrad is one of the Second regiment's most popular officers and his wife, a niece of Judge A. C. Avery, is highly thought of by the entire regiment, for which she has done much good.

A report was circulated at the depot to the effect that Spanish prisoners were to be brought through on the S. A. L. delayed train. It caused much excitement, followed by amusement, etc.

[Special Star Telegram.]

The W. U. telegraph manager refused to accept messages unstamped. Complaint for refusal to accept will be filed with the Railroad Commission on Tuesday.

Collector Duncan today received decisions on the war revenue act. Travelling salesmen are not commercial broker. A two-cent stamp must be attached to every check, draft or money order drawn by any person upon any other person. It is, therefore, not confined to checks or banks, but extends to all orders for money. Savings banks may use a book headed, "We, the undersigned, acknowledge to have received from— Savings Bank, the sum of money affixed to our names, respectively," and in such cases no stamps are required.

Raleigh is to have a third telephone exchange company, composed entirely of local business men.

The first coach for the Raleigh and Cape Fear road arrived to-day. The road will begin operations July 16th. Two more prisoners escaped from the State penitentiary; Matthews, a Federal prisoner, in for eighteen months; Dunlop, from Asheville, in for five years. This makes four in two days. The men today crawled through a drainage pipe and skipped. It is possible that some investigation may be made.

THE CROATAN INDIANS.

A Great Gathering in Robeson County. Speeches by John D. Bellamy, Esq., Dr. Norment and Others.

[Special Star Telegram.]

MAXTON, N. C., July 9.—There was a great gathering of the Croatan Indians of Robeson county at Union Chapel to-day; including women and children there were five to six hundred on the grounds. George B. McLeod, of Lumberton, opened the exercise in a short but singularly appropriate address. He was followed by several leading and educated Croatan men, all of whom spoke well. John D. Bellamy, Democratic, and Doctor R. M. Norment, Republican, candidates for Congress, were present and made speeches, but the meeting being an educational one politics were almost entirely ignored. Bellamy's speech was conceived in rare good taste and made a fine impression. It was on the historical and educational line and captivated his audience. The enjoyment of the day culminated in a substantial dinner. Mr. Hamilton McMillan of this county, formerly a noted teacher of Wilmington, delivered one of the best addresses of the day.

SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Republican Convention of Sampson County Endorses C. P. Locke.

C. P. Locke, Esq., who is a candidate for the Republican nomination for Judge of the Sixth Judicial District, received a telegram yesterday from Clinton, where the Sampson County Republican Convention was held yesterday, stating that the convention had endorsed him for the nomination. The telegram also stated that the convention advocated fusion with the Populists.

Mr. W. H. Chadbourn, provisional chairman of the district, has issued a call for the district convention, to be held on July 19th, at Warsaw.

The counties in the district are New Hanover, Fender, Sampson, Duplin, Onslow, Jones, Greene, Lenoir and Carteret.

R. E. Pipkin, Manager, Goldsboro, N. C.