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THE RAM ALBEMARLE

Government, not in a public na. yard, in 1856. When the war commenced, in art. 1861, he was a clerk in the law tin took a costract with the Con beth City. The three woolen his patent for it. gunboats were burned on the One 7 room new dwelling, with stocks, and Gilbert Elliott took all outhouses, lot and garden, in the tools, equipments and carpenters town of Rich Square, within 100 to a point on the Elizabeth river, yards of Express office. For further near Norfolk, and commenced the gunboat there. Norfolk soon fell

His friend, Colonel Martin, released from prison, re-organized his command which was now call ed the Seventeenth Regiment North Carolina troops. He appointed Gilbert Elliott his adjutant. The carpeters were hired Messages sent to any point on the out for other work in the interor and the youthful navy contractor chor. Connects with Western Union Tel- went to the front with the army. But he had not long been in camp at Petersburg when he was ur gently solicited by Secretary Mallory, of the Confederate Navy Department, who had formed very high opinion of Elliott's business capacity and energy, to un dertake the building of an other gunboat, this time to be an iron clad ram, as the career of the Merrimac (Virginia) has revolu tiouized naval warfare. Upon Mr Mallory's request, the Confeder ate States War Department grant ed Lieutenant Elliotta two years' furlough, and he was relieved of the duties of adjutant, returned to North Carolina, gathered up the tools and the carpenters, and began his new venture at Tarbo ro, on Tar river, N. C. But the Federal troops occupying New Berne made a raid to Rocky Mount on the Wilmington and Weldon railroad, burned the rail road bridge, and returning via l'arbore, destroyed young Elliott's were displayed by the removal of what was left of his ship-building plant to a more secure position

into the hands of the enemy, and

Elliott moved his plant and car-

penters to North Carolina.

In personal appearance Gilbert Elliott was slender, with a bril iant eye and fine features, but having a full dark beard. The Sheriff. Secre'ary of the Navy did not suspect that he was contracting with a youth not 21 years of age, when the Albermarle was finishd after one year of almost superhuman effort, under great diffi ulties, Elliott had not been tanght Green or Dry-for which I pay the trade of ship building, but it nay not be out of place to men tion that his maternal grand fath er, Charles Grice, was a ship uilder in the early part of the tain and assistant adjutant gener century at Elizabeth City, N. C., eral, Martin's Brigade, Hoke's and that Francis Grice, a nephew Division, Confederate States ar-

on the Roanoke, where the keel

was laid for the famous ram.

guished constructor of the United States navy, living at Portsmouth. A Brief History of How She Was Va. and afterwards at Philadel phia, and besides other vessels. The ironclad ram Albemarle constructed the first class frigate was built for the Confederate Niagara at the Philadelphia navy-

vy yard, but in a corn-field on The plans of the Albemarle trust. The following is from the Roanoke river, in Halifax county, were drawn by Naval-Construct. New York Journal N. C., about twenty miles below or John L. Porter, at the Norfolk Weldon, on a farm owned by Jas. navy.yard, modelled somewhat N. Smith, Esq., a highly respect after the Virginia, and as before ed and pariotic citizen of that mentioned, the actual putting tocounty. The vessel was con gether of the vessel was the work structed under a contract with of James F. Snell, and among the in process of forming. It is nearthe Confederate Navy Depart- carpenters were the faithful gang ly completed. It will soon be con ment by Gilbert Elliott, who em of negro slaves, who worked as ployed the carpenters and labor cheerful as the white men A ers and furnished the material citizen of Halifax-Peter E Smith and equipped the boat, under the Esq.,-now a resident of Scotland supervision of Commander James Neck, in that county, became as W. Cooke, of the Confederate sociated with Elliott and render States Navy, a native of North ed efficient service. The son of the United Sectes and to the Carolina. Gilbert Elliott, the son a lanter, and a planter himself, of Gilbert and Sarah A. Elliott, Educated at the University of was born in Elizabeth City, N. C., North Carolina, Mr. Smith was a on the 10th of December, 1843. born mechanic and genius in that

When the time came to put on office of William F. Martin, who, the iron plates the work was in addition to his law practice, found to be very tedious, as the owned a ship yard and a number boring had to be done with an old of negro ship carpenters, slaves drill from the Norfolk navy yard. of himself and family. Mr. Mar- Under the necessity Smith invented and put into operation a fedrate States Government to drill which cut through the iron build three wooden gun-boats at like an auger through an oaken Elizabeth City, but he was soon plank, and the plating was then elected colonel of the Seventh speedily and effectively done. Regiment of North Carolina Vol When the war ended, Smith's was captured at the fall of Hat- the Washington Government for great producer of them also. teras. Meantime he had left Gil- a patent on his useful invention, The deal has been conducted y bert Elliott to look after the busi- but he found that about the same former Governer Cameron, of Ohio, ness management of his ship yard, time that he had made his drill an and a Mr. W-atherby, of New with James E Snell as the boss ingenius Yankee had invented York, who, dispatches to the Jour carpenter. In February, 1862, one exactly simular, on the other dal say, have just competed a the Federal fleet captured Eliza side of the line, and already had tour of the South and made ar-

ry War Papers by Federal and tion will be completed within two construction of another wooden Confederate contributors, and weeks. other facts are given in a lecture delivered by Gilbert Elliott, in the city of St. Louis in 1887, but the parrative omits mention of himself, as aide to her command er, Cooke, in her first encounter with the enemy at Plymouth. Before reaching that town, Cooke learned that a line of torpedoes had been stretched across the take Hood's Sarsaparilla at once. river to blow a hole in the bottom of his craft, and he came to an

> During the nigth Elliott sug gested to him that on account of he great freshet, he might float over the obstructions, and voluneered to make a reconoissance oars muffled, he slowly moved in own words. the dark shadow along the river bank down to the enemy's fort the line of torpedoes, and had the great satisfaction of reporting to Captain Cooke that there was water enough. Cooke did not wait o hoist his anchor, but slipped is cable, moved at once, and assed safely over the torpedoes After the victorious conflict with the enemy's gun boats the young side then bore dispatches from Commander Cooke to General the right wing of Hoke's army. and followed that officer in the enemy's strong fortifications.

After this battle, the Secreta ry of the Navy established a navy ard a Halifax, with Commander Cooke in charge, and there Elliott indertook to baild a larger and under contract, but the war end. phantly, "Twenty-nine!" ed before she could be completed, and her frame was destryed and nine and eight?" when Sherman's army occupied Eastern North Carolina, Thus six were destroyed unfinished, and Cushing's torpedo cut short the brilliant career of the Albemarle. enabling the Federal fleet to hold the waters unmolested.

racticed his profession in Norfolk, Va., St. Louis, and New on Staten Island, May 9, 1895.

rsonal recollection of his elder orother, Charles Elliott, late cap arithmetic class.

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Upon the face of it there appears nothing sinister in this lat est trust, and the usual tale is told Nepoleons and Alexanders. by its premoters of how the conrol of this immen e market will be of benefit to the producer and

tants of deviltry.

unteers, went to the front, and friends induced him to apply to in the Carolinas Georgia is a paign.

rangement with peanut cleaning The history of the Albemarle, establishments for handling their her construction, her famous bat outputs. They have got the most tles, and her destruction by a tor of the cleaning factories into the pedo, are recorded in the Centu trust, and think that the combina-

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The Cleveland Leader gives the recipe by which General Shafter learned self-reliance; saying that With two sailors in a small boat, the story is told in that officer's wake of Major Smith's battalion,

school, our teacher called up the at the creek. A mile beyond lay and took soundings himself along class in mental arithmetic, and be- San Juan Hill. Already there was gan putting questions, beginning tighting there, and the zip of the with the pupil at the head. I bullets which sped over the movstood somewhere near the middle, ing columns was annoying, to say and next below me was a boy who the least-especially to the ralliwas three years older, and conside ed companies of the Seventy-first erably ahead of me in our various New York who were still a little

nine and eight?" asked the teacher. One after another the boys and Matt W. Ransom, commanding girls guessed and failed; meantime to take position at the foot of the grand charge which captured the the big boy, who stood next, w is and was in the thick of the fray. pering, apparently to himsel: .

ty-nine."

"Well, Willie," said the teacher, 'let us see if you know. Come, now, be prompt." I cocked my more formidable iron clad ram, head on one side, and said, trium-

"Next! How many are thirteen 'Thirty," said the big boy be

That was just what I had figured it to be, myself; and I made up mind, then and there, to depend on my own judgment for the future. Ever since when I Gilbert Elliott became a lawyer, have had anything to do, and have figured out what I thought to be the best way of doing it, I have York City, and died at his home gone ahead, remembering, when people criticised, or tried to throw The foregoing sketch is from me off the track, how that big boy

> It is said that the soldiers who had taken Hood's Sarsaparilla stood the long marches in Cuba much ffetter than the others.



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Bravest Act Before San Juan Hill

moments of great peril or responsibility and enable them to readily overcome great obstacles. It is related of Nepoleon that at times during the course of a stub born battle he would be seized as if by magic with some brilliant idea, which, when executed, would result in the complete riot of the enemy. These flashes of wisdom during he hat heat of the fray are called strokes of ge nius. Many such flashes make

During the late war with Spain Lieutenant Colonel Jacob H. Smith now in command of Jefferson consumer alike. But that remains Barra ks, was a Major in charge of a battalion of the Second Unit-If the trust seeks to place the ed States Infautry. The word sale of the peanut in a few hands, was 'On to Santiago," and the to quell the competition of small Major with his three companies, venders, to centralize the distribu turned their faces resolutely to tion thousands will be hurled in- ward San Juan Hill, where he and spiration. The battalion was al idleness and all its concomi- his men were destined to play ready in regular formation. There one of the most heroic and inspir | was no band to pass up and down Most of the peanuts are raised ational parts of the entire cam- in front of the lines as on dress ments in New York city, including a

came upon the Seventy first New ears. York Regiment, scattered, demoralized and seeking refuge his sword, as the men had often from the sizzing bullets behind trees, rocks, and whatever obstacle afforded protection.

"What is the matter here?" shouted the Major as he came upon tae scene.

There were no officers in sight and the men replied that they had no officers and did not know what to do.

Major Smith searched about the field and discovered officers enough to control three companies. "If you will not go ahead," argued the Major of the regulars "at least move your men so that others who are followin, may pass without this hindrance, and If you are troubled with any ailment so that the effect upon the regu lars may not be harmful."

> The officers said that they were willing to proceed upon the ene my and a number of men came forward and said that they were anxious to go with them and fight. Three companies were formed from the Seventy-first New York, and these, command ed by Major Beck, followed in the

The remainder of the Seventy Once, when I was a boy at first New York was left behind timid, a natural feeling, it is said, "How many are thirteen and for raw recruits in their first bap tism of fire.

Major Smith had been ordered I thought it out. The question nill as a support to the regular had ju t got to me, when I heard line, which had already advanced At the first sign of wavering he "Twenty-nine, twenty-nine, twen was instructed to advance to the assistance of the troops which had preceeded him. He stopped or Smith that he had never seen at the foot of the hill and, mountfrom a projecting knoll faced Smith that day. about and looked down upon the level stretch of territory which broke against the foot of the hill. At his feet and below him on the plain was gathered four companies of regulars ranged in battalion formation. At the heads of the companies were Captain Mil ler, the brave officer who sacrificed his life ou the altar of his coun try on July 10; Captain Rowell, Lieutenant Wilson and Lieutenant Creary. Behind the first line was stretched another not so long. They were the three companies of the Seventy first New made a fool of me in the mental York. It was only 400 yards up the hill. There were two blockhouses on the crest, which fired viciously at the two battalions of

Major Smith attracted especial attention from the Spanish Mau-Inspiration comes to men in sers. Bullets sang close io his ar until it seemed that they came in swarms. One tore away a bit of his hat one took off a piece of cloth from his coat sleeve one glazed the heel of his boot, one hit his stirrup. He sat there, as mmovable as marble. He was a soldier and his orders were to wait. Down in the plain the lead en rain was falling among the men. Now and then one fell from his place wounded or dead. The situation was not calculated to keep up the courage of men who had but recently been rallied from a disorganized rabble: If these raw recruits were to be of any service in the field they must

Sitting upon his horse, looking down upon his men, with the bullets singing close about him, Major Smith was seized with ac inparade. Only that terrible music nice line of Christmas Books by di At Bloody Ford the battalion of the Mausers broke upon their tinguished authors, beautifully bound

have more courage.

called out, in clear, distinct tones "Carry arms!"

The response was electric. The men forgot the bullets, the danger, the Spaniards firing into their ranks from the top of the hill, and turned their attention to the manual of arms. It was a magnificent spectacle. History presents no parallel where a body of warriers calmly and coolly stood under an enemy's fire and went through the manual of arms as precisely as if they were on dress parade.

"Present arms!"

Some did not respond. A bul et had torn amaya finger or turn ed a face to the sky.

"Shoulder arms!" The battal ion shouldered guns with soldier ly exactness It was true that the bullets came as fierce as ever, but their minds were turned to something else, and, after all, they did not mind them, for they were soldiers, and it was a soldiers business to die.

The inspiration had the desired effect. Any tremors which might have existed among the regulars were dispelled, and the three companies of the Seventy first New York took heart and renew ed courage. Their nerves were steeled and they would have bravely, gladly, joyously followed Major Smith's battalion up the hill a little later, when the orders came, and participated with him and his gillant men in the complete rout of the Spaniards.

They were detached, however, before the battalion of regulars marched up the hill and through the rain of lead to send a fiercer and more terrible torrent of bullets into the ranks of the enemy.

General Kent remarked to Maj men go into battle in better ored upon his horse, rode some lit- d rand with firmer tread than tle distance up the declevity, and those commanded by Major

Major Smith simply smiled and

"That was the result of an inspiration."

The General had seen the men going through the manuel under a galling fire, and knew the signi ficance of the reply.

Major Smith has since been promoted to Lieutenant Colonel of the Twelfth Infantry, another brave regiment worthy the gallast commander who now controls its destinies .- St. Louis Re-

infantry at the foot of the hill. Owing to his exposed position



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