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Case of Poisoning

Hood's Sarsaparilla Drives the Polson from the System, Quiets the Nerves, Relieves Dyspepsia

nd Catarrh. While in the army I was poisoned inwardly with poison oak, and I did not get well for 15 years. My blood became so affected that I was taken with a backing sough, and I was thought to be going into consumption. I took many different medicines without avail, and finally resolved to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. When I had finished taking the first bottle the pimples began to disappear from my body, and after I had taken three bottles I was well. I have also suffered with catarrh in the head and have been taking Hood's Sarsaparilla for this trouble, and it helps me. In fact I take it for all allments and believe it has no equal as a blood purifier. It quiets the nerves and gives refreshing sleep. It has relieved me of dyspepsia and built me up." J. I. HOLLIDAY, Williamston, South Carolina.

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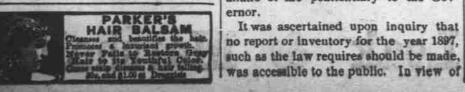
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MEWBORNE PILLORIED.

WHAT MR. SIMMONS SAYS.

Russell and Mewborne Will Not tion during that year, of which no report be Allowed to Concest the could be obtained. Mismanagement of the Penitentiary by a Valgar Personal Attack Upon The Democratic Chairmar-The Unlawful Acts of John R. Smith Exposed-

borne's letter which, it is generally understood was written by Gov. Russell, was in reply to the courteous and gentlemanly request of Chairman Simmons for nformation concerning the management | ly conduct their correspondence. of the penitentiary last year, as the report sell's) letter, instead of giving the inforthat gentleman. Here is Chairman Sim-

Raleigh, N. C., July 27. Raleigh, N.C.

Sir: On the 14th day of July I addressed you a letter hereto attached marked "A." On the 16th day of July I addressed you a letter hereto attached, marked B." On the 20th of July I addressed you a letter hereto attached marked "C.", On the 21st of July I addressed to Claudius Dockery, Esq., chairman of the Board of Directors of the Penttentiary a letter hereto attached, marked "D." On the 14th of July I addressed to John R. Smith, Esq., Commissioner of Agriculture, a open letter dated July 25, addressed to me of the office-holders. and signed by you. The public knows essary I should reproduce it here.

A little after noon today, I received through the mails a letter signed by Mr. Dockery, dated July 25 and hereto attached, marked "F." I have received no ecessor. answer whatever from the letter addressed to Mr. Smith.

'It is well known in North Carolina that we have just entered upon a campaign in which the management of our State affairs by the present administration will be largely discussed and that the question will be presented to the people to be decided at the election in November, whether they will continue the control of the present fusion government in North Carolina, Under these circumstances I deemed it due to the voters of the State to whose interest, judgment and patriotism the party of which I am chairman proposes to appeal, that they should be put in possession of the full facts concerning the management of their affairs by the present State government, to the end that they may wisely and fairly decide whether the interest and honor of the State required that their public affairs hereafter be conducted by a different political party.

In order that this work in which the people are so much interested should be thoroughly and fairly executed, I secured the services of Hon. T.]. Jarvis, former Governor and United States Senator, and of Captain S. A. Ashe, long a leading ournalist of the State and a man of high character, to prepare a handbook giving an accurate statement of all the facts con-

erning these matters. Early after Governor Russell was inlucted into office he appointed John R. Smith superintendent of the penitentiary and you commissioner of agriculture. Soon thereafter rumors of mismanagement became rife throughout the State.

It was stated in the public press and from mouth to mouth that the Governor had determined to remove Mr. Smith from the office of superintendent because of incompetency, mismanagement and

Sometime last winter the public was

startled by the information that for the reasons above stated the 'Governor, acting through the Board of directors, had removed Mr. Smith as superintendent and caused him to be put in charge of the Agriculture Department, thus transfering a man, unfit by reason of moral and mental delinquencies to manage the convicts, to the control of that institution which most closely touches the interests of the predominant element of the population, the farmer. It was also stated in the newspapers and not denied, that the Governor had stated to a member of the Board of Directors of Agriculture, in a personal interview with bim, as a reason for the removal of Smith from the position of superintendent of the penitentiary; that under him the penitentiary management was not only squandering but actually stealing the property of the State. It was likewise charged that this director stated in a meeting of the board of agriculture that

the Governor had stated to him as his reason for transfering Mr. Smith from the penitentiary to the agricultural department, that under his management of the being sqandered and stolen. The law requires the superintendent of

the penitentiary annually on the 31st of outfit, consisting of boiler. engine, 50-saw gin, and press for sale. This machinery is in good repair and will be sold at a bargain.

F. S. THLMAN,
Deep Creek, N. C.

Deep Creek, N. C. affairs of the penitentiary to the Gov-It was ascertained upon inquiry that

these facts and the summary removal of tion Mr. Smith under the imputations aforesaid, I thought, and still think, that the and had the right to know the facts concerning the management of this institu-

Therefore as it was intended that the cuss these matters, as well as the facts connected with the management of the sive. penitentiary by yourself, in the interest of The Letters Asking tor In- fairness in giving the people information apon these subjects, these distin-The following letter, written by Hon guished and honorable gentlemen did F. M. Simmons, chairman of the Demo- not wish to act upon newspaper rumors cratic State Executive Committee, is in and statements and requested me to adreply to "an open letter" signed by J. M. dress the communications hereto attach-Mewborne, superintendent of the peni- ed, asking for the information and facts tentiary, and published last week. Mew- therein requested, as a basis of their discussion of these subjecs.

> I did not think for a minute that the information asked would not be promptly all. given and in a way that gentlemen usual-

It was not thought by them or myself equired by law to be made several that if the information was given it would months ago has not yet been forthing- show a state of affairs to the advantage coming. Mewborne's (or rather Rus- of the present administration, but no ardly assault upon me and the Democratofficer had ever before concealed from mation requested by Chairman Simmons, the public the reports and records of his and which every tax payer has a right to office, because they might militate against demand, dodged she issue by making a the party to which he belonged, and it most outrageous personal attack upon was therefore believed you would as a matter of duty and decency supply the

It has generally been supposed that every taxpayer of the State has a right to see the records of all public offices and to ask and receive without being insulted, information concerning the management by the officer of his office.

As a representative of a great party which polled in the last election 145,000 votes, constituting two thirds of the taxpayers of the State, I did not think it would be impudence or effrontery to ask you in their name and as their representative for this information. It has been an old time tradidtion in

North Carolina that public officers are letter hereto attached, marked "E." To public servants. I did not know that since the communications addressed to you I the advent of you and Governor Russell have received no answer, but there is the time-honored rule had been reversed ATTORNEYS - AT - LAW, published in today's Raleigh Post an and the people had become the servants I was old-fogish enough to suppose that

servant of the people and that both law LIAR. and custom forbade you from hiding and concealing from the public your official acts, and those of your immediate pred-Shortly after my several letters were

ors of the penitentiary met in Raleigh, and I am informed that at their several sessions hotly debated whether I should be given the information asked. A member who insisted that as a citizen and taxpayer, I was entitled to the information, was, so I am told, fiercely reproached by you. Having failed to reach any agreement on this all-absorbing question, in open meeting, your board did what was never before done in North Carolina, to wit: Convened in what you were pleased to call executive session, for the purpose of further considering this subject. When the Board rose from the secret meeting, I am informed that newspaper reporters and inquirers were told that the meeting was an executive session. I do not know and the people do not know what transpired in this secret writing, but I am reliably informed after the meetingMr. Dockery, the chairman, said the board would have preferred I had not asked for the information, but I would get an answer which would make me sorry that I had requested it.

I presume the board decided in this secret meeting that your party could not afford to let the people know the real facts concerning the management of the penitentiary by the present administration, and it was determined to try and be-fog the issue, and that as a result you refused the information requested, and instead of the courteous reply, which I reasonably expected, you decided upon the infamous and slanderous personal attack upon me, which this morning was published in the Raleigh

Your party shall not, by this low and dirty device, be-fog the issue or escape

I 'shall continue to use every avenue open to me, to lay bare before the people of North Carolina the facts concerning the disreputable management of the penitentiary, and all departments of the State government by the present discredited and disgraceful administra-

> OW are the children this summer? Are they doing well? Do they get all the benefit they should from their food? Are their cheeks and lips of good color? And are they hearty and robust in every way? If not, then give them

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It will be observed by reference to the section of the law quoted in my letter, entitled "An Act for the government of public would be interested in knowing to Mr. Pockery, that two things are re- the Penitentiary," and being chapter quired. One, an inventory to be made 219 of the laws of 1897, reads as fol-

by the superintendent under oath, and lows: the other a report by the board itself, It will appear from my letter to Mr. Dockery, that I asked for both a copy hand-book which Governor Jarvis and of the report and a copy of the inventory. Captain Ashe were preparing should dis- I especially requested a copy of the report becouse it is much more comprehen-

Mr. Dockery in his letter to me promises a copy of the inventory, which he

It is apparent from Mr. Dockery's let-

It will be remembered that the law requires that this sworn inventory must be filed on December 31st. It is said and generally accepted, that

the Governor wrote or dictated your cowin the coarse and vulgar style that characline in it shows that it came from a vicious mind. There is not a statement in it, personal to myself, or about my course upon my personal integrity, or the integrity of any political methods, with which I have heretofore been connected, that is not a wilful and premeditated lie, without any foundation in fact, and made by you and your abettors for the purpose of raising a fog behind which you hope to retreat from the position in which you have placed yourself before the public, by declining to come to an account with the people for the manner in which the affairs of the penitentiary have been mismanaged since the 1s. of January, 1897, and there is indisputable evidence of your irritation at me for preferring the simple

I denounce the statements made in your letter personal to myself as emana-

during the last few years, a horde, of tion and defamation of their betters, to deceive and mislead the people, and gain sent and delivered, the board of direct- for themselves positions which they are which the expenditures were made. notoriously unfit to hold.

The time has come when these miserable slanderers and hypocrites will not only be exposed, but fittingly denounced, and pilloried before an outraged pub-

F. M. SIMMONS.

Hon, J. M. Mewborne, Superintendent of the Penitentiary, Raleigh, N. C. Dear Sir: I have the honor to reques that you cause to be furnished me at the earliest practicable day the following information concerning the administration

of the affairs of the penitentiary: 1. A list of all the officers and employees of the penitentiary, giving the name of each, the date of his election or apointment, the designation and place of his appointment, the date of the creation of such office or place, the character and nature of his services, and his monthly

2. An itemized statement of the receipts and disbursements of the year beginning June 30th, 1897, showing the sources of

the receipts and the purposes of the dis-Thanking you in advance for a prompt reply giving the desired information, I am

very truly yours. F. M. SIMMONS, Chairman.

Hon. J. M. Mewborne, Superintendent Penitentiary, Raleigh, N. C. Dear Sir: In addition to the information requested a few days ago I beg that you will cause to be furnished me at the earliest practicable day this additional infor-

A statement showing the number of farms, plantations, lots or plots of land now under lease or contract of any kind to or with the penitentiary no matter whether such contract or lease is in the name of the State er of the board of directors of the penitentiary, I wish such statement to give approximately the number of acres of each farm, plantation, lot or plot of land, where located, the use to which it is being put, the date of such lease or contract, and the amount paid for each in fee or by the year, as the case may be, under lease or contract. I have

> Yours very truly, F. M. SIMMONS, Chairman. ("B") Raleigh, N. C., July 20, 1898.

Hon, J. M. Mewborne, Superintendent Penitentiary, Dear Sir:-

It has been charged that a part of the cotton crop of 1897, belonging to the penitentiary, was sold for prices below the market value and not wishing to do anyone injustice I beg that you will furnish me with the following informa-

A statement showing to whom, in what quantities, at what time and at what price, the cotton, corn, and wheat crops of 1897

It being rumored that there is a large number of outstanding unpaid accounts or claims against the penitentiary I beg that you will also give me a statement showing the outstanding unpaid claims up to June 30, 1898, showing when and for what contracted, to whom due, and reason why they are unpaid. This information is in addition to that heretofore requested.

> Yours truly, F. M. SIMMONS, Chairman. ("D.") Raleigh, N. C., July 21, 1898.

of directors of tie Panitentiary: Dear Sir: Section 9, of the Act of 1897

Section 9. That the fiscal year of the institution shall end on the thirty-first day of December of each and every year, whereupon the superintendent shall take and file, under oath, an inventory of all property of every kind on hand and credted to his general annual account be tween the State and the penitentiary for such year, and the board of directors shall iary gun-boat Dixie yesterday. There speaks of as the report of the superin- make an annual report to the Governor showing the financial condition of the ins. | were welcomed with enthusiasm. Major titution by the inventory and accounts of General Miles arrived here this morning ter that he is himself doubtful whether I the superintendent, and also the condi- at daylight with General Ernst's Brigade will ever get this report or inventory, for tion and residence of the convicts. The and General Wilson's Division on board he only says he BELIEVES it will be in annual report shall also contain the prices transports. General Ernst's Brigada the hands of the Governor in a short paid for the principal products each immediately started for the town while. He does not say that he KNOWS month, and also a classification of persons | Ponce, 3 miles inland, which capitulated it will be in the hands of the Governor at on the pay roll, with the rate of wages this afternoon. The Americans troops paid to each. From the whole number are pushing toward the mountains, and printed for distribution two hundred will join General Henry with his brigade copies of such annual report shall be at Yauco, which has been captured by preserved for use of the General Assem- our troops.

since been made and printed I beg that emy was repulsed and driven back

copy by the bearer of this note. in politics, which in any way reflects inventory required by the first part of the

> I have the honor to be, Very truly yours, F. M. SIMMONS, Chairman.

Hen. John R. Smith, Commissioner Agriculture, Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Sir: I beg that you will cause to be arnished me at the earliest practicable

A list of all the officers and employees proclamation: of the Department, giving the name of ment, the designation and place of his the United States, in the cause of liberty. employment, the date of the erection justice and humanity, its military forces tions of a vile heart, devoid of any re- of such office or place, the character and have come to occupy the island of Porto straint of conscience and as the inpo- nature of his services, and his monthly Rico. They come bearing the banners

Also the amount of the gross receipts There has grown up in North Carolina of the Department for the year beginning June 30th, 1897, and ending June 30th, which you are one, who seek by detrac- 1898, together with a detailed statement showing the disbursements for the same peroid of time and the purposes for

Thanking you in advance for a prompt reply, giving the desired information, I Very truly yours, F. M. SIMMONS, Chairman.

Dear Sir: Your favor was handed me in Raleigh in which you ask for a copy of the report of the superintendent of the State's prison for the year 1897. This report has been made to the board and I believe will be in the hands of the Governor in a very short while. I would respectfully suggest that, when this is the case, you can secure a copy at the Execu tive office. If a copy is sent me here, I will gladly forward it to you. If not, I will be glad to serve you when I return to

> Very truly yours, CLAUDIUS DOCKERY.

The facetions boarder had the train all laid for a killing joke. 'It's a wender," he said, "that you did'nt serve up this hen feathers and all." "The next time," said the landlady, with marked emphasis, "I'll send her up bill and all." And the joke was ruined .- Cleveland

The Chief Burgess of Milesburg, Pa. ays DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the est pills he ever used in his family during forty years of house keeping. They cure constipation, sick headache and but great in results. J.A. Hardison.

Bob Moore, of LaFayette, Ind., says that for constipation he has found De Witt's Little Early Risers to be perfect. They never gripe. Try them for stomach and liver troubles. J. A. Hardison.



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THE SURRENDER OF PONCE.

Americans Joyfully Welcomed-Spaniards Ambush Eight Companies of Massachusetts and Illinois Troops-The Enemy Repulsed and Driven Back, Leaving Four Dead on the

Port of Ponce, Porto Rico, via the Island of St. Thomas, Danish West Indies, July 28,-The port of Ponce surrendered to Commander C. H. Davis, of the auxilwas no resistance, and the Americans

A fight before the latter place on Tues-Assuming as a matter of course that day last was won by the American volyour board has complied with such a unteers. The Spanish ambushed eight ic party. Certain it is, it was sent out plain provision of law and that the re- companies of the Sixth Massachusetts directly from the Executive office and is port required by this section has long and Sixth Illinois Regiments, but the enterizes all that emanates from him, Every you will do me the favor to send me a mile to a ridge, where the Spanish cavalry charged and were routed by our in-I also beg that you will at the earliest fantry. General Garretson led the fight practicable moment cause a copy of the with the men from Illinois and Massachusetts, and the enemy retreated to section to be made and forwarded to Yauco, leaving four dead on the field and several wounded. None of our men were killed, and only three were slightly wounded. The wounded are: Captain Gihon Barrett, Private James Drummond and Private H. C. Gary.

The Porto Ricans are glad the American troops have landed, and say they are all Americans and will join our army. The roads are good for military purposes. day the following information cocerning Our troops are healthy, and General the administration of the Department of Miles says the campaign will be short and vigorous. He has issued the following

"In the prosecution of the war against each, the date of his election or appoint- the Kingdom of Spain by the people of to seek the enemies of our government in armed resistance. They bring you the fostering arms of a free people, whose greatest power is in justice and humanity to all living within their fold. Hence they release you from your formerrelations, and it is hoped that this will be followed by your cheerful acceptance of the government of the United

"The chief object of the American military forces will be to overthrow the armed authority of Spain, and give the people of your beautiful island the largest measure of liberty consistent with this military occupation. They have not come to make war on the people of the country, who for centuries have been oppressed, but on the contrary, they bring protection, not only to yourselves, but to your property, to promote your prosperity and bestow the immunities and blessings of our enlightenment and liberal in

stitutions and government. "It is not their purpose to interfere with the existing laws and customs which are beneficial to the people, so long as they onform to the rules of the military adninistration, order and justice. This is not a war of devastation and desolation, but one to give all within the control of the military and naval forces the advantages and blessings of enlightened civ-

Did Not Believe in Social Equity.

A dispatch from Tampa, dated

July 24, says: "Two negro cavalrymen, with pistols in their hands, walked into the Saratoga saloon just | the United States were valued at \$2,181, oly fellows. Mr. Caldwell is the regular stomach and liver troubles. Small in size | before 12 o'clock last night, having | 024 and the exports to this country \$1, | leading counsel of the Aberdeen Railwith them four white cavalrymen, who were advocating social equality. As the drinks were ordered by the negroes they made a remark that was | 000,000 represents exports and \$14,000,- the railroad in this State. We want insulting to any man raised in the 000 imports. South. J. F. Quinn, of the Second Georgia Regiment was standing near and heard the remark. Quinn had Exchange. been discharged from the regiment | The re is really and truly a Tar river in he had enlisted in for physical disability, but he did not feel that this | believe it. An old Johnny Reb sends the made any difference in his fighting following story of how the Yankees ability, so he made a reach for the found it. nearest negro cavalrymen and tried | "When the Confederates evacuated to wrest the pistol from his hand. | Washington, N. C., they rolled 1,000 bar-The negro cavalryman pulled away rels of tar, and turpentine into the river and with his colored companion, at Taft's store, and two months later a made a break for the door, with steamboat, the Colonel Hill, with 400 Quinn in close pursuit. One of the Yankee prisoners going from Salisbury to white men drew his revolver and fired | Washington to be exchanged, tied up to at Quinn, but his aim was bad, and the wharf to let the boys bathe. They W. K. Cleveland, of Dade City, who stirred up the tar on the bottom of the is an engineer on the Florida Central liver and were smeared with it from head her foot. She remonstrated and he, and Peninsula R. R., standing near, to foot. When we came upon them each as Duncan says, applied a very inreceived the ball in his right leg, just | man had his rations of meat in one hand | above the ankle, making a bad and a small stick in the other, scraping took the case in his own hands, a wound. He was at once carried and greasing for dear life. 'Helio, boys! to the central police station, where | What's the matter?' I asked, and they rehis wound was dressed by T. A. plied: 'Durn if we havn't found Tar river Walker, a Red Cross nurse, who at last; the whole bed of the river is happened to be near by."

The Best Remdey For Flux. Mr. John Mathias, a well known stock

dealer of Pulaski, Ky., says: "After suffering for over a week with flux, and my physician having failed to relieve me, I had taken a few bottles of Hood's Sarsa-physician having failed to relieve me, I had taken a few bottles of Hood's Sarsa-Naval Academy at Annapolis while a stu-Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and have the pleasure of stating that the half of one bottle cured me." For sale by, J. A.

bear cheerful testimony to its value as a medicine which should be in every family. In coughs and colds we have found it to be efficacious and in croup and Are gaining favor rapidly. indispensable.-H. P. RITTER, 4127 Fairfax ave., St. Louis, Mo. For sale by J. A.

"The Philistines be Upon Thee, Samson." Rev. J. C. Troy niCharlotte Observer.

I read this morning an editorial, "An Era of Conflict," from a religious paper, in which the times, political and religious, are reviewed. The picture presented is not a pleasing one, yet the editor closes: "It is a good and necessary thing to rememper that no one need be alarmed at the situation." I think differently, especially as the situation applies o North Carolina. It is time for elarm-intense alarm. There was a peroid when the State, in strigth of character and standing, was a veritable Samson. It is not so now. She has been shorn of strength and the shearing process continues. And as a preacher, one who believes in God, and that it behooves every true som to be interested in the proper conduct of State affairs, it strikes me that the time has come for the good citizens to find out, "What must we do to be saved?" And when the way is pointed out, to walk therein. I am no politician, am seeking no office, for no honor higher than that of loyalty and therefore I do feel that I of Cuba for slapping General Shafter's have right to exhort all the brethren face, has arrived at Fortress Monroe. everywhere to an effort in the direc- He gives the following version of the tion of salvation. Self-preseavation affair: is the first law of nature. Therefore ments, national platforms, and the above which the flag was to be raised Philippines, important as they may when it occurred to me that I could ge

Little Porto Rico.

Porto Rico is to be ours. Whatever

may be the fate of Cuba it is now certain that there will be no terms of peace that do not include the cession of Porto Rico to the United States.

We will thus acquire one of the most desirable of the Antiles. Porto Rico has an area of 3,608 square latest figures available, is a little over and of yours, and to destroy or capture all | 800,000; about 300,000 are negroes. There are 137 miles of railway and 150 miles of wagon road; nearly all the transportation in the interior is caried on by pack mules and riding horses. A good telegraph system connects the principal towns, and

the telephone also has been introduced. Though the climate is very warm it is salubrious except for about three months of the year. Porto Rico is far healther than Cuba now and with proper sanitation every part of it could be made safe for

Porto Rico is more densely populated than almost any state of our Union. I has a number of cities of considerable size. San Juan, the capital, has a population of 20,000 within its walls and about as many in its outlying suburbs. There is no system of sewerage and no water works. Drinking water is supplied by cisterns filed with rain water caught from the roofs of houses. The city was founded 250 years ago, is walled in and has a moat and drawbridges. There are few other significant towns. Ponce is the second in size, having a population of 15,000; Mayaguez has 12,000, Fajardo 9,000, Arecibo 6,000, Aguadilla 5,000, Humacao 4,000, Naguabo 2,000 and Arroyo

Porto Rico has a great variety of proand molasses, chocolate, cocoanuts, to- not even be a member of the Alliance. bacco, coffee, oranges, bananas and bay- They were regarded as the authors of rum. The principal imports are flour, many woes and calamities of the poor, breadstuffs, dried meats and agricultural toiling, sweating, laboring man. Now machinery. The United States has not they have actually selected a lawyer as succeeded in monopolizing Porto Rican their standard-bearer. They have not trade. Much of it has been carried on only nominated a lawyer but a regular with Spain. In 1897 the imports from corporation lawyer-one of these monop-

about \$30,000,000 a year, of which \$16,- Bason or any other lawyer of

Finding Tar River.

North Carolina, but some folks will not

covered with pitch,"

Just What She Needed. "My appetite was very poor and I was so

was advised to try Chamberlain's Colic. parilla I could eat anything I wished, could Naval Academy at Annapolis while a stusleep well and was much stronger." Mrs. dent there, and served as President dur-John J Martin, Warrington, North Car-HOOD'S PILLS cure all liver ills. Easy to

lers carry them in vest pockets, ladies carry them in purses, housekeepers keep them in medicine closets, friends recommend them to friends. 25c.

Royal makes the food pure,

SCOVEL'S STORY.

He Tells About That Face Slapping Affair at

Norfolk, July 28,-Sylvester Scovel, the correspondent who was hustled out

"I had been standing with the crowd the Cuban question, Miles move- in front of the civil palace at Santiago, be, do not constitute the main ques- a better view from the roof, so up I went tion in which we are most concern. Lieut. Miley ordered me down peremptoed. What are we to do to prevent rily. I obeyed leisurely, and he had the old ship falling into the hands | Shafter send a company to dislodge me. of the Philistines to be gutted? The I got down first, however, and going to white men of North Carolina ought | General Shafter, Tsuggested that the men to know, and do know, how to an- be given a chance to cheer the flag just raised. They were anxious to do it, and he agreed. Going to a general officer, he spoke a few words, and the officer immediately turned and called for three cheers for Shafter. The intelligent reguars responded faintly. The mistake of the general officer had placed General. Shafter in the light of calling for cheers for himself, and he was angry. While he was in that frame of mind I unfortunately approached him and explained that while I was the man on the roof to whom Lieut. Miley had objected, at the wide. Its population, according to the same time I had not meant to intrude ty. He replied with a volley of oaths.

You - correspondents," he and you are the biggest nuisance of them all." He turned away, and I said: "General, I am a correspondent; also a gentleman, and you cannot use such lanuage to me." Turning quickly, he struck me with his open hand on the cheek. I was a lightweight college champion for four years, and to strike back was as natural as breathing. I let fly with my right. Whether I struck him or not I do not know; but my knuckles are sore. I was promptly placed incommunicado. I can prove the General's language in any court, civil or military. He used an old army trick to make me strike back, and I am sure he had reasons for wishing me out of Cuba, and used that opportunity to expel

A Lawyer, and a Corporatio Law-

Great Scot! Will wonders never cease? What will happen next? Our Populist friends in convention ossembled have actually nominated a lawyer as their candidate for Congress-one of those "pestilent fellows" and "movers of sediducts. Its principal exports are sugar tion." A few years ago a lawyer could road. He is as much a railroad lawyer The total Porto Rican trade averages as Chas. Price, W. H. Day or George to hear M. H. H. Caldwell Esq., denounce

A Soldier Acquitted.

monopolies and corporations.

The shooting of the colored man, Simon Drummer, by Virgil H. Duncan, of the Second Texas Regiment, on Saturday afternoon at Camp Miami has passed by as an unpleasant incident of camp life, says a dispatch from that place. After a careful hearing Duncan has been acquitted, the shooting having been considered justifiable on the part of the jury. It seems that the colored man, on entering a store, collided with a young lady and stepped on sulting remark. The soldier took

Hobson a Religious Man.

death of the negro.

quarrel ensued, resulting in the

at the entrance of Santiago harbor, was

ing the year 1888. "I think DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the finest preparation on the market for piles." So writes John C. Dunn, of Wheeling, W. Va. Try it and you will think the same. It also cures oczema and all skin diseases. J. A. Hardison,

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