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Sagasta Interviewed.

HE RELATES SOME THINGS ABOUT THE ACTION OF THE NAVY—PROBABLY SAID FOR A PURPOSE.

A Steamship Ashore On the Coast of New Foundland—A Regiment Exclusively of Populists.

By Cablegram and Telegram to the Daily Standard.

A Regiment of Populists.
Washington, 1 p. m.—Jerry Simpson has offered to raise a regiment composed exclusively of Populists.

Sagasta Interviewed.

Madrid, 1 10 p. m.—Sagasta was interviewed this morning and outlines Spain's policy, saying that there will be no fight at Santiago unless Cervera desires it. The Americans, said he, will find the Santiago forts, ships and harbors to be very different from those destroyed by Dewey at Manila. He also says that if the Americans are waiting for a naval battle before they attempt to invade Cuba they will need a considerable amount of patience.

A Supposed Warship Sighted.

St. John, New Foundland, 2 p. m.—A steamship is ashore thirty miles from here. It appears to be a war ship. Its identity is not known.

Thirty Dynamite Bombs Found.

Key West, 3 23 p. m.—The Oregon's log book shows that while coaling at Rio thirty-nine dynamite bombs were found in the bunkers.

Another Lightning Freak.

In a letter from Mt. Gilead, in Montgomery county, to Mr. W R Harris, we learn that on last Monday night the lightning struck the house of Dr. C B Ingram at that place and did considerable damage. It struck both chimneys of the house and tore one of them open. It also demolished the furniture in the parlor, and tore one of the windows to pieces. As there was such a storm several of the children were in one bed, which had on it a feather bed. The bedstead was struck and the head and another part torn open besides tearing one of the feet off. But fortunately none of the children were hurt.

The Graded School Closes.

The Graded School closed this (Thursday) afternoon. The last lessons by the pupils were recited this morning but the promotion cards were issued this afternoon, also some announcements made.

Struck By Lightning.

We are informed this (Thursday) morning that the crib of Mr. Geo. W Bost, of No. 1 township, was struck by lightning yesterday evening during the small storm. The entire crib was burned together with about 75 bushels of corn.

THE ONLY True Blood Purifier prominently in the public eye today is Hood's Sarsaparilla. Therefore get Hood's and HOOD'S.

AN INTERESTING LETTER.

The Life of a Former Cabarrus Boy Who Is Stationed at a Fort in New Mexico.—Now a United States Soldier.

We are in receipt of a letter from Mr. Thomas F Poteat, a former Cabarrus county young man, who lived only a few miles above this place. The letter to us is interesting and we take the liberty to give the people some of the ideas in it.

Mr. Poteat, for some years, has been in the service of the United States Army and is stationed at a fort in New Mexico. The duties of these soldiers stationed at the different forts is to quell any riot or insurrection by the Indians in that part of the country.

He is now stationed at Fort Wingate in New Mexico. Sometimes he says the life of a soldier out there is a pleasure and sometimes he thinks it a very hard life, though never regrets the day that he enlisted into service.

As for scenery in that country, they have some of the finest. The temperature scarcely ever gets below 25 degrees above zero. Sometimes, though, they have snow for months. Then their life is somewhat harder, as the snow causes so much mud, and as they have no sidewalks, it makes it very disagreeable to walk guard. When they are not walking their guard line they are equipped with boxes in which to stand during the muddy weather. But every half hour they have to walk to the other post.

In this part of Mexico where he is stationed, there is quite a number of mines and the hands in the mines, he says, make from \$2 25 to \$3 50 per day.

Only about 13 miles from Fort Wingate he describes a place where the cliff-dwellers formerly lived. The place is one mile long and one-fourth of a mile wide and about 500 feet deep. In these walls are small huts large enough for ten persons, the huts being about 100 feet above each other.

Hunting is also indulged in very much and the hunter is rewarded too, there being much game. The writer of the letter himself spends of his time hunting in the woods.

The duties of these soldiers are very light. They are required to drill one hour each day—from 5 till 6 p. m. The remainder of the time they can go where they please, except that on every eighth or tenth day they are put on guard duty. Mr. Poteat says that they enjoy life, he supposes, better than any other class of people. He says that he can lie down on his bunk and take a nap almost whenever he wants to, and has no one to bother him.

The life of a western soldier, he thinks, is a little bit tougher than the Eastern soldier. Their dress is not quite so fancy but is neat and everything is kept clean.

Their quarters are three stories high and built of brick. Mr. Poteat belongs to the 15th regiment, Co. E., U. S. A.

It Looks Very Suspicious.

It seems strange but nevertheless true that the fellow who was arrested at Camp Grimes some weeks ago on suspicion of poisoning the water and was found to be part Indian and part negro, has been arrested again at Jacksonville. A close watch will now very aptly be kept on him and probably something more than a watch will result.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. Jake Newell was in the city today from No. 10 township.

—Miss Lila Stafford, of Harrisburg, is visiting her friends, the Misses Sims.

—Mr. J F Beatty, of New London, was seen in our city yesterday evening.

—Rev. W J Boger and wife, of Mt. Holly, arrived at the home of Mr. D P Boger in No. 10 township yesterday. They will attend the commencement exercises at Mt. Pleasant before returning.

Fancy Cakes

Jam Up Fresh,

—AT—

Ervin & Morrison GROCERS

ALL IN EARNEST.

The President Calls for 75,000—North Carolina's Quota 1,550—Don't Know Where the Fleets Are—The Spanish Fleet May Be Bottled Up at Santiago—Off for Manila.

As noted in THE STANDARD Wednesday the president has made a second call for troops. He wants 75,000 more which will make in all 200,000 volunteers. North Carolina's quota of the late call will be about 1,550. It is said that Gov. Russell will give the colored people a chance now to raise a full regiment of 12 companies.

All is uncertainty as to the whereabouts of the fleets. A strict and necessary censorship is exercised and no news is allowed to pass over the wires that would be calculated to defeat the plans of the government.

The indications are that the Spanish fleet did come into port at Santiago de Cuba and may or may not be shut in by Schley's fleet. Sampson is expected to open the way for the troops to land near Havana where the great decisive land battle is destined to be fought.

It looks now like the movement on Havana is to be the main objective plan while the destruction of the Spanish fleet, if shut up in a narrow port where it can't possibly escape, may be deferred to a convenient season with the hope of a capitulation when the Cuban strongholds are taken and the fleet is exhausted. In this case we might get some valuable accessions to our navy and indemnify ourselves for some of the cost of the war.

While there is little to gratify the desire for news we confidently hope it is not to remain so very long.

The ships for Manila are now well on the way, having left San Francisco Wednesday. The Pekin is said to have on board 59 officers and 1,044 men, the city of Sidney 24 officers and 670 men and the Australia, 37 officers and 676 men. The fleet is loaded chiefly with supplies of provisions and ammunition. More troops are to follow later. This fleet is expected to arrive at Honolulu in about six days, where the Charleston will join it. It will then be about one third of the way to the Philippines.

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