

## REAR ATTACK OF FRIENDLIES

Five Americans Killed and Twenty-three Wounded.

## QUITE A ROUGH EXPERIENCE.

Gen. Wheaton Fired on in the Road and Narrowly Escaped—A Battle in which Artillery was Freely Used.

MANILA, By Cable.—A battalion of the Fourth Infantry which left Imus, where General Wheaton was in command Monday morning, to reconnoitre towards Peres das Marinas, where it was believed most of the rebels who escaped from Paraque and Bacoor had fled, was attacked in the rear by apparently friendly natives. This brought on a sharp engagement, lasting several hours, resulting in five Americans being killed and about 25 being wounded. The loss of the rebels was very heavy. The battalion soon exhausted its ammunition, and at 2:30 in the afternoon Gen. Wheaton and his staff, with the Second Battalion, two mounted guns and one field piece, went to re-enforce the troops attacked. Gen. Wheaton was fired on in a road and had a narrow escape. Later, the Third Battalion was ordered to the front and formed on the Las Marinas road. Heavy firing on both sides followed, the artillery being freely used. The enemy was located in the woods at 4 o'clock, showing signs of retreating, as the rebels were being pressed very hard. One gun of the Sixth Artillery, in an advantageous position, did great execution.

The fighting was still in progress at 5 o'clock, at which time the Americans had secured a quantity of Filipino arms, which had been abandoned in the woods. The scene of the fight is over 20 miles from Manila.

### The Grant Arrived.

MANILA, By Cable.—The United States transport Sherman which sailed from San Francisco May 24, 1,800 men and 75 officers, under command of Brigadier General Fred D. Grant, has arrived here, after a smooth voyage. One private died after the transport's arrival. The troops brought by the transport are to be sent to Zamboanga, to relieve the California Volunteers. General Bates, who arrived will probably be assigned to the commands of the volunteer generals, some of whom will leave for home soon. Generals Hale and Funston desire to accompany their respective regiments home. The Utah Artillery, it is announced, will accompany the Nebraska troops on board the transport Hancock, leaving their guns here. The Pennsylvanians will start for home on the transport Senator this week. The Indiana sailed to-day, with 500 discharged and sick soldiers. She will go into dock for a few days at Nagasaki, Japan.

### A Ship Comes Into Mobile With Yellow Fever.

MOBILE, Ala., Special.—The British steamer Lombard, Capt. Raison, from Vera Cruz, arrived in the lower bay Wednesday morning, and upon investigation by Dr. Henry Goldthwaite, quarantine physician, he pronounced a sailor on board sick with yellow fever, and ordered the vessel to the government quarantine station at Ship Island. Capt. Raison wired Dr. T. S. Scates, health and executive officer of the quarantine board of Mobile Bay, protesting against the diagnosis of Dr. Goldthwaite, and asking Dr. Scates to come down and confirm the diagnosis. This Dr. Scates refused to do, and wired the captain that orders of the quarantine physician must be obeyed. Later, at the regular monthly meeting of the quarantine board, the action of Dr. Scates was endorsed.

### Georgia's Cotton Acreage Reduced 15 Per Cent.

ATLANTA, Ga., Special.—Commissioner of Agriculture Stevens, in his report, says the cotton acreage in Georgia has been reduced 15 per cent., and that the reduction in the entire cotton belt will average the same percentage. The acreage in corn in Georgia has been increased 24 per cent., and wheat shows an increase of 15 per cent.

### 2,800 Cubans Faid Off.

HAVANA, By Cable.—General George M. Randall has returned from paying the Cuban soldiers. He says he paid almost 2,800 men. The majority delivered up their arms, which were turned over to the civil authorities. A few men were arrested for issuing bogus certificates of deposit. The additional payrolls will probably not be ready for six weeks. The Cuban soldiers at Remedios are becoming anxious to receive their money, as the proprietors of the hotels and restaurants are unwilling to allow them more credit, owing to the uncertainty of the men's being included in the revised lists.

## NORTH CAROLINA NOTES.

### W. J. Cocke Arrested.

Just before adjournment Wednesday evening, the grand jury of the Federal Court, in session in Charlotte, found a true bill against W. J. Cocke, of Asheville, for violation of section 5200 of the revised statutes of the United States, for embezzlement, abstraction and willful misapplication of the moneys and funds of the National Bank of Asheville. The greatest secrecy was enjoined upon the officers of the court as Marshal Milliken was to leave on the evening train for Asheville to arrest Cocke, and it was agreed that the matter should not be mentioned until the papers were served. This was done Thursday morning at 4 o'clock, the marshal arresting Cocke in his room. A \$15,000 bond was required of him and was promptly given. William Johnston Cocke was born in Asheville, January, 1873, and is therefore 25 years of age. He graduated at Wofford College, S. C., in '92, with the highest honors, taking the senior medal. He then went to Harvard, where he took a post-graduate course. On his return from Harvard he was made cashier of the National Bank of Asheville, being at the time only 22 years of age. He was elected mayor of Asheville 7th day of May, '96. In the election last fall he was sent to the Senate from his district, the thirty-third senatorial district, which had in '96 given a strong Republican majority. In a statement to The Citizen, Cocke says: "I do not owe the National Bank of Asheville one dollar. Every cent for which I was liable has long since, and before this prosecution was begun, been paid."

### Improvement at Elizabeth College.

Rev. C. B. King, president of Elizabeth College, left Saturday morning for the West. He goes to California to attend the National Educational Convention. Mr. King has great things in sight for Elizabeth College. The trustees contemplate the erection, at no distant day, of an additional building—an administrative building—which will contain the offices and an assembly hall for commencement occasions. The present chapel is too small and poorly ventilated to be suitable for such occasions. It is proposed that the new buildings shall cost about \$40,000. The heretic line is to be improved upon next season, and those who go and come between town and the college find the trip less than a Saturday's journey, as last year. There is talk of automobiles.

### Tar Heel Notes.

The corporation commission requests the agricultural board to give it additional room. Commissioner Patterson and Chairman Cunningham will decide. The executive committee authorizes the commissioner to purchase a microscope for use of State entomologist in studying the San Jose scale. The committee directs Commissioner Patterson to notify all dealers and manufacturers of fertilizers who sell their goods in North Carolina that after January 1st next they will be required to give in their analysis printed on the bags only the per cent. of phosphoric acid, ammonia and potash. This will take the place of complicated analysis now required.

The truck farmers are rapidly shipping potatoes to Northern markets. We have one farmer in Elizabeth City, Mr. W. H. Cropsey, who will ship about one thousand barrels this week. He planted nearly five hundred barrels of seed and expects to ship ten thousand barrels of potatoes before the season ends.—Fisherman and Farmer.

The executive committee of the insane asylum at Raleigh was in session Thursday. Dr. Kirby says there are 425 inmates. Not many new ones are coming in, as all the curable cases in the eastern district are in charge. Some years ago a number of paralytics were rushed in. These are out of the way now and have made room. There are many requests for admission from parties from the western district.

The grape growers say that the prospects for a good crop are fine. There will also be a good crop of cultivated and wild blackberries. The blackberry growers at Southern Pines are getting ready to ship their crop.—Sanford Express.

A man 89 years of age recently filed the papers in Raleigh in a suit for divorce. He is a veteran of the Mexican war and of the civil war.

All the physicians at the penitentiary are now placed by Superintendent Day under the direction of Dr. James McKee.

Wake county's 6 per cent. bridge bonds were sold at 123 86-100 and were bought by local investors.

There are now 1,100 State convicts. Of these 260 are in the central prison, and about 75 of these are unfit for hard work, as counties dump their useless men there and keep their sound ones for road work. There are 75, mostly all Federal prisoners, in the brickyard. A white convict, Farmer Reaves, from Transylvania, serving a five year's sentence, who escaped one year ago, has been caught at Spartanburg.

## THE BENBOW BURNED.

Large Hotel at Greensboro, N. C., Totally Destroyed.

## SPAIN'S BIG WAR DEBT.

John D. Rockefeller Buys the Anaconda Mine for \$23,000,000—Jeffries and Sharkey to Fight.

GREENSBORO, N. C., Special.—At 12:15 Saturday afternoon fire broke out on the fourth floor of the Benbow hotel. It is supposed to have been started by defective kitchen flue. The alarm was given and the fire company promptly turned out, but it was found that there was only pressure enough in the city water tank to throw the water ten feet, and to make matters hopeless, the fire engine blew out an air chamber. And so it was that 500 people stood helpless and watched a fire, that might have been extinguished in the beginning with only a few gallons of water, gain control and ultimately destroy a \$100,000 property.

At about 12:45 the engine was in good working condition and the water pressure sufficiently strong for effective work, but by this time the flames had broken through the mansard roof and the entire building was a raging furnace. All effort was then directed towards preventing the fire from spreading, and this was successful, there being, fortunately, scarcely any breeze. At 12:30 Mayor Taylor wired to Winston-Salem for assistance, and his telegram was supplemented by a terse wire from Superintendent O'Brien, of the Southern, instructing the engineer that would bring the special to strike ground only in high places. By 12:40 the Winston-Salem companies had their gear on two flat cars attached to the engine, and, holding on for dear life, they came the 29 miles from Winston to Greensboro in the record time of 29 minutes.

With the three engines at work, the fire was well under control by 3 o'clock, though the naked walls of the Benbow attested its success there. This hotel is a complete ruin and the loss to its owner, Capt. B. T. Fisher, is approximately \$100,000. It was not insured for a year.

### Robbers Capture an Express and Mail Car.

MENA, Ark., Special.—Friday the southbound passenger train on the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf road, was held up by three masked men near Shady, Indian Territory. The engineer was signalled to stop, and on bringing the train to a standstill, guns were levelled at him, and the fireman was commanded to go back and cut off the express car. Then they all entered the cab of the engine and ran the cars down the track a couple of miles where they went through the express and mail cars, securing considerable booty, the exact amount of which is not known, as the express company will not give out the amount of its loss.

### An Earthquake in the Philippines.

MANILA, By Cable.—An earthquake shock was felt at Iloilo at 8 o'clock, Friday afternoon. The inhabitants say it was the severest ever known. It is supposed that the shock was caused by the volcano Concloan, in Negros, in eruption. An explosion was heard apparently under Iloilo, followed 30 seconds later by shaking of the earth.

### Hopes Jeffries Will Get Licked.

In a street sermon the Rev. Mr. Jeffries, father of the pugilistic champion, expressed the wish that his son soon would be whipped. "Jim's no worse than the rest of you," said the champion's father. "He'll keep up his development till he gets licked and then he'll come to salvation. I'd wish him to get licked if he was going to fight three minutes from now."

### Three Men Arrested.

HOUSTON, Tex., Special.—A special from Paris, Texas says: Late advices say Joe Tate, John Burns and John Peterson have been arrested at Potau, Indian Territory, after a running fight of half a mile, for complicity in the robbery of the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf train last night, near Poteau. They were taken to Fort Smith.

### Spain's War Debt.

MADRID, By Cable.—The budget was submitted to the Chambers by the Finance Minister, Senor Villaverde. It showed that the expenditures for the Colonies from the commencement of the insurrection in Cuba to the end of March, 1899, were 3,969,825,000 pesetas, of which 1,796,265,000 pesetas were for Cuba, 7,097,000 for Porto Rico, and 163,988,000 pesetas for the Philippines. Of these sums, 1,448,370,000 are represented by bonds and other securities outstanding. The budget estimates the expenses for the fiscal year at 937,173,134 pesetas and the revenue at 937,173,134 pesetas.

## THE FIGHTING IN THE PHILIPPINES.

General Otis Cables an Official Report to Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—General Otis, in a cablegram to the War Department, gives the following brief account of the operations south of Manila Monday:

"MANILA, June 20. Adjutant General, Yashiki, reports: 'Wheaton is at Imus. Our four battalions of the fourth and top cavalry sent battalion south of Dasmariñas where the enemy was encountered. Searching for the enemy and two days, repulsed the enemy in the field. Our loss was 20 men. Wheaton was driven back by a battalion of the enemy beyond Dasmariñas, and possession. General's qualities for bold and successful attacks unsurpassed.'"

### Attack Upon Peres das Marinas.

MANILA, By Cable.—General Wheaton's command has repulsed the attack upon Peres das Marinas on the town, Monday morning. They met on the town, unless having a counter-attack. The fighting shows that five were killed and 28 wounded. The list includes no officers. The wounded were brought to Manila from Bacoor in caskets.

### Peres das Marinas Not Worth Holding.

MANILA, By Cable.—The troops commanded by General Wheaton entered Peres das Marinas without opposition, except upon the part of a small body of rebels, who inflicted no losses upon the Americans. The town is an important place, surrounded by swamps, and General Wheaton will probably return to Imus.

### Congressman Danford Dead.

WHEELING, W. Virginia, Special.—Capt. Lorenzo Danford, serving his sixth term as Congressman from the sixteenth Ohio district, died tonight at 7 o'clock at his country home, near St. Clairsville, O. His death was sudden and was caused by heart disease. The only member of his family present at his death-bed was his daughter.

### \$700,000 Willed to College.

BOSTON, Mass., Special.—The will of the late Robert C. Billings gives about \$700,000 in public charities, including \$100,000 each to Harvard College, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (with \$50,000 additional to found the Billings student fund, and the museum of fine arts) \$25,000 to the Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va.; \$10,000 to the Tuskegee, Ala., Normal School and \$5,000 to Atlanta University.

### Peace Conference Affairs.

BERLIN, By Cable.—An official of the German foreign office who was interviewed by the correspondent here of the Associated Press, relative to the visit of Dr. Zorn, one of the delegates to the peace conference to Berlin, emphasized the impossibility of Germany accepting Sir Julian Pauncefote's arbitration tribunal proposals.

### The Arrival of Dreyfus.

PARIS, By Cable.—The approaching arrival of Dreyfus at Rennes is causing an influx of foreigners there. The hotels are besieged with applicants for rooms, which command immense prices. The arrangements for the conveyance of the prisoner from Brest have been made with the greatest care, and it is believed there is no danger of demonstrations. Dreyfus is expected to reach Brest early Wednesday morning, and precautions have been taken to prevent anybody from seeing him, either at Brest or at Rennes. The Figaro says it understands Dreyfus will

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The manner in which the recent vacancy in the Iowa State University was filled is worthy of note. When the office became vacant there was considerable discussion as to the advisability of appointing a native of Iowa, who would be supposed to be more in sympathy with the people and their objects. Nevertheless they did not allow this idea to prevail, for they raised the salary of the office to \$7,000 in order that they might secure the services of the best man possible, be he an Iowa or not, and the appointment falls to Prof. H. P. Hutchins, dean of the Ann Arbor University Law School.

The Hit of the Play. First Actor (pulling the trigger of a revolver six times)—Die, you miserable villain! Second Actor—Your pistol has missed fire, Sir Rudolph; but I am smitten with remorse for my many crimes, and will die, according to your wish. Then he rolled on the stage in agony, while the curtain slowly descended amid the cheers and laughter of the audience.

Origin of Silhouettes. Silhouette, a profile in black, is so called from Etienne de Silhouette, Controller des Finances, 1757, who made great savings in the public expenditures of France. Some say the black portraits were called silhouettes in ridicule; others assert that in ridicule; others assert that the silhouettes devised this way