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IS TURNING AMERICAN.

Citizens of Porto Rico Assisting Our Troops Enthusiastically.

ADVANCE TOWARD SAN JUAN

Outposts Saturday Night. Mayors of Captured Towns Issue Proclamations Urging Good Behavior Toward and Praising the Americans. A Truly Remarkable Reception to an Invading Army.

Ponce, via St. Croix, August 1.—Porto Rico is turning American as fast as the United States troops advance. The citizens of the island are enthusiastic, and are giving much help in locating recreant Spaniards, large numbers of whom have been brought into the cities by vigilant citizens and turned over to the troops, who, after signing the parole and agreement, are released. With hardly an exception the paroled prisoners join the crowd in praising and assisting the Americans.

The troops advanced Saturday night toward the outposts of San Juan.

Juan Diaz, twelve miles from Ponce, was the second town taken by the troops, Canica being the first, then Yauco.

When the troops took possession of the latter the mayor issued a proclamation exhorting the citizens to conduct themselves properly toward the troops, also brilliantly lauding America and its army.

The citizens are intensely loyal to our government. When our troops arrived they fell upon their knees and embraced the legs of the invasion hosts, a truly remarkable reception to our invading army.

Ponce was today placarded with posters, issued by the mayor upon an order by General Wilson demanding the surrender of all arms, declaring it the duty of every citizen to inform the Americans where arms are concealed. A great number of arms have been turned in.

To date it is thought that over 2,000 Spaniards will sign parole documents.

The campaign is being pushed and Gen. Miles expresses great satisfaction.

CONFERENCE IN MADRID

Between European Ambassadors. Havana Blockade Vigorously Maintained.

Madrid, August 1.—French, German and Austrian ambassadors had a conference with the Spanish minister of foreign affairs yesterday, the result of which is unknown.

Advices from Havana say that the Cuban blockade is maintained in a most vigorous manner.

An American Repulse.

Sanseverino, August 1.—Matanzas is reported to have been bombarded by a warship. The report also says that a force of 400 American artillery and cavalry attacked a detachment of Spanish engineers at Garciosa, but were repulsed, leaving ten men killed on the field. The Spanish lost one officer and two men wounded.

Official Sorrow Over Bismarck.

Berlin, August 1.—The United States ambassador received a cable from Washington charging him to express to the bereaved German nation and also to the family of the deceased the sorrow which the government and people of the United States felt in the death of Bismarck.

Hotel Fire in Chicago Kills Three Persons.

Chicago, August 1.—A fire in the Borwin hotel killed three persons this morning. Several casualties were caused by guests leaping from the windows.

Martin Thorne Electrocuted.

New York, August 1.—Martin Thorne, the murderer of Goldensuppe, was electrocuted at 11 o'clock this morning.



KINSTON TOBACCO MARKET

Opened Today Very Auspiciously. Big Breaks and High Prices.

The Kinston tobacco market for the season of 1898 opened today.

The first sale was at the Eagle, the new warehouse. The floor contained about 20,000 pounds. The proprietors of this house were in their glory. Capt. Canady looked in the best of humor. Capt. Sam Sugg was whooping the buyers up to pay good prices. Blackburn, the auctioneer, was rattling away crying the bids like a machine gun. Mr. Knot was following the sale and bidding on every pile to see that it brought the top notch of value. It was a successful opening, that must have been very gratifying to the proprietors of this warehouse.

The floor was crowded with spectators and the crowds around the buyers retarded the sale, so that it was nearly noon before it finished at the Eagle.

The next sale was at the Kinston-Carolina, where Mess. Tapp & Grainger did all in their power to make every pile bring its full worth. This house did not make any special effort to have a big break today. Mr. W. T. Burton, the new auctioneer for this house, is a daisy. He has a splendid voice and it is a pleasure to hear him sing the bids. We do not think there is a better auctioneer in Eastern Carolina.

The sale at the Atlantic began at 2 o'clock. This house was chock full of the weed, having about 35,000 pounds on the floor. Mr. Barber is a good auctioneer and made a lively sale. Mess. Crisp, Wooten and Copeland were looking carefully after the interests of their friends in every way possible.

The prices were good on every floor today, and all the farmers were highly pleased.

Kinston has started the season off well. It is and will continue to be the best tobacco market in Eastern Carolina.

The highest price today up to time we go to press was obtained at the Eagle. A pile of tobacco sold for Mr. Sidney Kennedy brought \$86 per 100. He deserves great credit for his success. He planted tobacco for the first time this season and cured it himself without previous experience.

The quilt sold for the Hookerton M. E. church at the Eagle was bid in at \$30 by the Eagle warehouse, and given back to the church. This was very liberal on the part of the Eagle proprietors.

The Effect of Wind on Lakes.

Attention has been called to the very remarkable effect of the wind on various inland bodies of water. It is not unusual for the residents in towns on the shores of lakes to be greatly inconvenienced, provided a heavy wind blowing on shore continues for any length of time. In the Baltic sea the level has been altered for upward of eight feet. Sometimes the water is blown out of a channel, leaving it almost dry. In one instance a depression of six feet occurred on one side of a body of water, with a corresponding rise of six feet on the other. Lake Erie has been known to alter its level a distance of 15 feet on account of heavy winds, and Lake Michigan was at one time the subject of considerable interest from the same cause. The wind was heavy and continuous and piled the water up on one side, while the other was so low that people walked out upon rocks where in the memory of man no feet had ever trodden.—New York Ledger.

Considerate.

"Leave the house!" cried little Binks, making a brave bluff of strength to the burglar.

"I intend to, my small friend," replied the burglar courteously. "I am merely after the contents. When I take houses, I do it through the regular real estate channels."—Harper's Bazar.

Yucatan is a compound Indian name meaning, "What do you say?" which was the only answer the Spaniards could obtain from the natives to their inquiries concerning a description of the country.

TO PUSH THE FIGHTING.

Determined to Push the War to Last Minute Before Armistice Is Declared.

15,000 MORE TO PORTO RICO

To Reinforce Gen. Miles. Gen. Wade to Command Reinforcements. Gen. Lee Will Go to Porto Rico With Seventh Corps. Within a Fortnight Over 40,000 Troops Will Be Operating in Porto Rico.

Washington, August 1.—Fifteen thousand soldiers will be sent to Porto Rico to reinforce Gen. Miles immediately.

The determination of the government is to push the war as strenuously as possible up to the last minute before armistice is declared.

Gen. Wade has been ordered to take command of the reinforcements, and has been detached from command at Camp Chickamauga for that purpose. He and his staff are on the way to Washington for final instructions.

The reinforcements are to consist of fifteen regiments.

It is understood that Gen. Fitzhugh Lee will be sent to Porto Rico with the seventh army corps. He has been engaged in completing its organization at Jacksonville.

Gen. Coppinger will command the Tampa force.

Gen. Brooke with 6,000 troops is due at Porto Rico today.

It is expected that within a fortnight 40,000 troops will be operating in Porto Rico.

DENIED THAT CAMBON IS SPAIN'S PLENIPOTENTIARY.

Peace Hoped For from Spain's Overtures And Our Answer. Names of Commissioners Talked Of.

Washington, August 1.—Ambassador Cambon immediately sent the government's note to Spain. The president looks for an answer by Wednesday. Some members of the cabinet are not ashamed to deny the report that Cambon conferred in the office of plenipotentiary to the Spanish government, but simply as a messenger.

The feeling that peace will come is general, however. Already the names of commissioners for the United States are being talked of. The latest to be mentioned are Woodford, former minister to Spain, and Richard Olney, but there are no official grounds for this report.

The president and some members of the cabinet are hopeful that a treaty of peace will eventually result from the overtures of Spain and the terms submitted in reply.

Direct Communication With Madrid.

Washington, August 1.—Col. Allen cables Chief Signal Officer Greely that direct cable communication has been established to Washington via St. Thomas. This will be maintained.

Another Government Hospital.

Washington, August 1.—Surgeon General Sternberg has ordered Col. Forwood to Montauk Point to erect a hospital capable of holding 500 people. Woodford has been called back.

Cuban Town Burned.

Key West, August 1.—The harbor of Neuvitas has been captured by the Americans. The town was burned and three Spanish vessels captured.

The Yale Bringing News.

New York, August 1.—The cruiser Yale was sighted this morning. She brings news from the front at Ponce, Porto Rico.

Cancelling stamps, to cancel revenue stamps on checks, etc., ordered at low prices by THE FREE PRESS.

GOVERNOR TYLER'S PROTEST.

Against the Landing of Wounded Soldiers At Fortress Monroe.

Richmond, Va., July 29.—Governor Tyler, tonight, at the urgent request of the quarantine officers at Newport News and Old Point sent to Surgeon General Sternberg, of the army, a strong protest against more wounded soldiers from Cuba being landed at Fortress Monroe. He called attention to the fact that the breaking out of a yellow fever epidemic there, besides endangering the lives of thousands of people in Virginia, would also weaken it if did not absolutely unman Fortress Monroe, which guards the entrance to Washington, would suspend work at the government navy yard at Norfolk and would also cause the stoppage of all work on the men-of-war now in process of construction at the private yards at Newport News. The Newport News and Old Point quarantine officers filed similar protests.

No-folk, some years before the civil war, suffered terribly from an epidemic of yellow fever.

FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED.

The Stomach of a Dead Man, Who Is Supposed to Have Been Poisoned, Carried To Raleigh From Pitt County.

Raleigh Post.

The stomach of a man who died at Parmele, Pitt county, Wednesday last, under very suspicious circumstances, was brought here yesterday to the State chemist for analysis.

The stomach was removed from the dead man the day after he died and sent here by the coroner of Pitt county. It was brought by a traveling man who came to Raleigh on business.

The name of the man who died was Pepper. He entered a bar room in Parmele in company with a citizen of that place. Drinks were ordered. Within fifteen minutes of the time the drinks were taken Pepper died in agonizing pain. Suspicion was aroused and foul play suspected. No arrests had been made Thursday last.

Mr. Bizelle, the college chemist, will examine the stomach.

J. B. Lloyd Nominated for Congress.

The Populist convention of the second congressional district met at Wilson Friday. Mr. R. B. Kinsey, of Lenoir, was elected chairman. Capt. Jas. B. Lloyd, doorkeeper of the United States senate, was nominated by acclamation.

DEPRESSION IN SPAIN

Over News From Gen. Augusti at Manila, Which is Hourly Expected to Fall.

TERMS CONSIDERED HARSH

But Hope of Foreign Interference is Abandoned and it is Believed That Spain's Only Course is to Accept Our Terms of Peace, Which are Taken to Mean the Virtual Stripping of Spain of All Her Colonial Possessions.

Madrid, August 1.—Deep depression is manifested in government circles over the news from Captain General Augusti at Manila, who has been so despairing within the past few days that the announcement of the fall of that city is expected hourly.

The American peace conditions are taken to mean the virtual stripping of Spain of all her colonial possessions. Hope of foreign interference is abandoned, and harsh as the terms of peace are considered, it is believed that there is no other course than to accept them.

Captured Trying to Run the Blockade.

Key West, August 1.—The Mexican steamer Tabassano, flying the French flag, was captured at Havana yesterday while trying to run the blockade.

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