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GRAPHIC STORY of the FIGHT OLOUCESTER AND the DESTORYTHS

Thrilling Battle of the Frail Little Con verted Yacht Against Apain's Boost ed Turprda Bont Destroyers, Honta Stronger Than Their Victor-Tremendom Hall of Steel from the For mer Pleasure Boat.

W. W. Whitlock, in New York Times

United States Steamship Gloucester, off Santiago de Cuba, July 4.—The great Ggbt has taken place, the Span-ish fleet is destroyed, the power of Spain is broken. How did it all happen ? This no man knows from ac-tual observation; each one can only tell what he himself saw. It was Sun-day morning, 0:45 o'clock, and all the divisions of the ships were at quarters, dressed in their neat white dress mus-tering suits. The captain and the ex-coutive officer were below inspecting the hammocks and bags of the men. I. the hammocks and bags of the men. f. too, was below, writing. Suddenly there was a great clanging of the beli __the call to general quarters-and some one darted by my door, shouting: "The Spanish fleet has come out; the Spanish fleet has come out; the spanish fleet has come out; the the spanish fleet has come out; the spanish when I reached the deck one glance showed that the great crisis had hopes. When I reached the deck one glance showed that the great crisis had at last arrived. There, close to the shore, three miles distant, were three black vessels fiscing rapidly westward. Even as I looked abother stip made its appearance at the harbor entrance and turned to follow in the wake of the

others. Capt. Walnwright and Lient. Harry P. Hose, the executive officer. were on P. Huse, the executive onder, were on the bridge. We were under way, mak-ing rapidly for Murro Castle. There was a moment's consultation between the commaning officer and his rightthe commaning officer and his right-hand man, and our speed was slucken-ed, although we still continued to stand in toward shore. The four black ships were still speeding down the coast, while our fleet was closing in, seemingly, oh ! how slowly ! As a matter of fact, the manoauver was ex-ecuted very rapidly. The Spanish ships ware so similar to one another that it was impossible to distinguish them from each other at that distance. Immediately west of us, to our left. Immediately west of us, to our left, was the Indiana; then came the Iowa, was the indiana; theo came the lows, the Texas and the Oregon, the Brook-lyn at the extreme end of the balf cir-cle. Where the New York was, no one seemed to know. As transpired lator, she was several miles to the east at the commencement of the action, but she made all hasts to join in the fray. fray. The slowing up of our vessel proved

to be a very significant movo; all the after events of the day, as fur as the Gloucester was concerned, were there-by determined. Wainwright had foreween the coming movements of the en-emy at a glance; the two torpedo de-stroyers, he rightly surnised, would linger behind the cruisers in the hope

linger behind the cruisers in the hope of escaping unnoticed in the confusion and of thureby stealing up on our bat-tleships. We were waiting for them. The last of the cruisers was two miles from the entrance when the Flu-ton came into view, followed closely by the Furor. By this time we were within two miles of the fort. Forced draugh was ordered, and the Glou-cester began to churn through the water as she had probably never done before. The starboard battory was trained on the enemy. I elevated the sight of m5 gun to 3,800 yards, then, by successive steps, dropped it to 2,500.

220 feet in length; displacement, 370 tons; armament, two 14-pounder rapid-fire gans, two 6-pounder rapid-fire gans two 1-pounder Maxim automatic gans and two 14-inch torpedo tubes. The two 1-pounder Maxim automatic gnns and two 14-inch torpedo tubes. The full complement of the boat was 67 men. The Pluton was of like strength with the Furor. Here is the Glouces-ter: Leugth, 241 feet; displacement, 800 tons; armament, four G-pounder rapid-fire guns; two G-millimater Colt automatic gnns; complement with oilleers, 93 men. It was not au ideal day for gunning; clouds overspread the sky and made the light uncertain. Futhermore, the Spanish ships were black. black.

FIGHTING TILEM UNAIDED.

loss; either we must sink the Furor or she would sink us. She was now within good torpedo range. Had they perhaps already launched a torpedo Y Well, we would soon find out. Our fire was redoubled It was too fierce; no vensel could stand it. Well continue on the discharge By the time we got within 800 yards of the enemy we three were practically alone on the sea. The Indiana, Texas, Oregon, lows and Brooklyn were far to the west, pursuing the Spanish cruisers. The Americans had left us to our fale, which seemed certain dis-It was too fleroe; no vessel could stand it. "Still continuing on the circle, with a star-board helm. the Furor turned away from us toward Morro. But we kept up our beart-breaking fire. Like a stag, the boat turned again and made for her companiou, which was now lying on her side amid the break-ers, valoly seeking to eacape us. But in vain, and still turning she made weakly toward us again. Then the truth dawned on us; she was unman-ageable; and was simply moving in a circle, with a jammed helm. cruisers. The Americans had left us to our falo, which seconed certain dis-aster. The roar in our ships was deaf-ening. Every second a gun was fired. Aboys all came the rack, rack of the automatic pieces, like intenasily rapid blows of a fisil on a tin roof. The gan directly behind me was trained too far forward, and when it went off it near-ly threw me down, deafening the whole gun's crew. "For God's sake don't fire that gun again." we begged, but in vain. My No. 2, who throws up and down the breach-block, was badly scared, and every time the gun went off he would spring to the side of my foot. I struck him under the ear to encourage him, but without suc-creding. The empty shells were roll-ing about the deck, burning the bare foet of the meu, who would cry with juin, and every once in a while some one would stop to throw them over-board. The amounition whip was working uninterruptedly, bringing up fresh boxes as we exhausted the old onces. Men were blowing and sweat-ing inte horses "Cease firing !" and the battle was at an and. We had put the enemy out of commission ENEMIES BRCOME GI MATS. But our work sas by no means over. We had spent two hours in slaughtering our friends who had crossed the sea to meet us, and we now spent 11 hours in recruiting the

survivors. Such are the extremes and inconsistencies of warfare. But all this was but an aftermath of battle, not the battle itself. To tell the story of the hours during which our boats went back and forth to the above, takmes. Men were blowing and sweating like horses. "What's the malter ? Fire more

went back and forth to the shore, tak-ing off not only the remnant of the destroyer's crew but also that of the Maria Toress and Oquendo; to picture the tarrible scenes on the deck of the sinking Furor and on the burning cruisers; to describe the surrender of the Spanish admiral and his arrival aboard with the most distinguished officer of his fleet and their sudden transformation at least superficially, from evenies into honored guests— all this is a tale apart from the great fight wherein the last romnants of Spain's power were annihilated. Of the Americans one man had been killed of the Spanish, how many ? To the "What's the matter ? Fire more rapidly there on the starboard side," came from the bridge. What was the use of dring ? I could not tell wheth-er or not I was reaching the mark. "Watch this, and try to see if it bits." I cried to No. 4, and he stopped aside clear of the smoke and shaded his eyes to try to note the effect of the shell. In vais the mark other guess were at In vain, too many other guns were at work, an I continued to pop away. trusting to my estimate of the dis-tance. How I longed for one of the pounders, which use smokeless pow-der. The ship was gradually swinging round, bow on to the energy. "Don't fire. Look out for that stanchion." of the Spanish, how many? To the reckoning of the Gloucester's crew stand a hundred lines. Now, only the bow gun could be train-ed on the enemy. Then the forward port gun came into uso, and a moment outh's Companion. When a man fails in business and is

port gun came into use, and a moment later the one immediately behind it. What was happening aft on the quar-ter deck. I had no idea; it was all it could do to watch the enemy and to see that the gun captain behind me did not aboot me. The battle we were fighting was as distinct from that down the coast as the battle of Ma-nils. I looked up at the bridge. There stood the captain and the executive officer, outwardly as calm as at muster. unable to pay bis bills, it is important that there should be some law under which the persons to whom he owes may receive each his fair share of whatofficer, outwardly as calm as at muster. The executive officer had his hand The executive officer had his hand on the indicator, directing both the ship and the firing. An under quarter-master was at the wheel, his eyes di-vided between the companies and the enemy. At one end of the bridge stood the chief quartermaster, ready to read any signals from our ships. Before leaving, the Indiana had hoist-ed the order "fun-boats close in." We were the only gun-boat in sight, but we closed in. Many of the met. were stripped to their undershirts. I laid waide my coat. mechanically fold-ing it neatly. Then I crossed the deck to try to forget the omiscus

Suddeoly there was a great firsh aboard her, a mass of steam rose into the air, and she had exploded, probably in the cogine room. Later we learned that a shell had passed clear through her boilers. A great cheer went up from the Gloucester's crew. Was it heard aboard the Pluton ? But what was the Furor doing ? Coming to-ward us ? It was the last act of dee-peration. Again the star-board bat-tery bad come into us. Thank heaven I selzed the trigger lanyard and preased I seized the trigger lanyard and pres I selzed the trigger insyste and pressed the shoulder-plece against my shoulder with a caress. At last there was some thing to do. There was no time to be lost; either we must sink the Furor or

the Leat Cause When Charging the Npaniardw-Sther War Stories. Bill Arp in Atlanta Constitution. They say that Joe Wheeler forgot himself at Santingo when the Span-iards fired their deadly volleys from the brush and he spured his steed for-ward and shouted, "Charge 'en boys 1 Charge the damn yankees; run 'on out of the brush 1- the damn Spanlards. I mean i" And now they tell it on Los that when his handanne blue uniform came and his wife took it out of the oase, he looked at it with solemn coun-tenance and said: "Put it back, wife; let it stay there for a while 'till I can get reconciled. I'm afraid I might shoot at it all of a sudden." The boys in camp get up many a joke, and they go on the grand rounds, afreah Irishman, who was put on picket and ordered to let no man pass without the password. When the officer came round to change the guard Pat chal-lenged him with, "Halt, be Jasus, and give the pasaword." "Olloer on the grand rounds," said the lieutenant. "Grand rounds and be damned to yez," said Pat, "an' if yez don't come for-ward and as " Hull Run,' Fill be afther shootin' into ye, Mr. Grand Bounds." The boys say that down at Camp Griffin, when a new recruit comes in, the devillah fellows take nim off to drill him. "Young man, you must re-member the Maine, and also remember that you are a private. When you meet as officer you must salue him and say, 'I sm your dog, si', and the officer will wave his land and smile and say, 'I show it,' and pass on." They haze the green ones as bad as college boys haze a verdant freeman. There is many a wag around the camp for fine, and they spice the weary bours with wit and wisdom. The average soldier bears no mailee, not even to ward the foe be has been seen to fight. Cerrera and Holson are the bast of friends and if it is possible that the people who placed him in high com-mand have asome redeeming virtues. In our evil war the privates of both armies exchanged civilities on the picket them and once when a pick

They are our enemies," But the com-mon soldier has not considered the casus belit, the aggravation from a m-tional standpoint nor can be, like Cromwell or Stonewall Jackson, wor-ship God by killing his country's fors. A soldier's life is a good training school, and he soon loses some of his conceit and solishness. When a boy who has been humored and cutled at

who has been humored and petted at home becomes a schoolboy and has to the settlement of his debts. It is quite as important, if the failures hus been an bonest one, that the debt-for, after he has done everything he can to pay his debts, should be relieved from further responsibility for them, and ablould be able to start again. The new bankruptcy law, which Con-gress has just enacted, is intended to accomplish both of these purposes. It has provisions for voluntary bankruptcy. In which the to whom he owes money take steps to secure as much as possible of what is due how. We have been without a national A STUDY IN MULLETING.

How the Spanish Semaphore Meg Corvers's Defeat. of Pinis Dealer,

Cloveland Fusis Dealer, Ta Spain will things seem to reverse the usual custom by traveling slowly, This peculiarity was especially notice-able in the case of the disaster to the Cervers flect. Here, for instance, is about the way the news of this Schley viotory reached Madrid. It came is any stages and by cumulative ap-proacture, and assemed, as it were, to il-lustrate a new theory of evolutionury truth-telling: 1. It is understood that Admiral Cervers has taken his fleet from under the very noses of the Yankee pigs, and salling through their midst has calmly and deliberately withdrawn to a port provide the spreach, and quickly mede room for him. He threw a few shells into them as he passed, one of which penetrated the fleethip and killed 42 mee. The brave admiral and his gallant ships will soon be heard from. 3. It is understood that Admiral

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These Sheet Yanne, Washington Support, such and from New York to-morrow on the statemer. Olivetts for Mantingo, the companies of three payments. The will begin the payment of the troop on their arrival, and in a short tim while joined by other payments. The instarts army, and will then proceed to Porto Blion to pay of the army of the other has a short tim when will amist in paying off General Status army, and will then proceed to Porto Blion to pay off the army of the print and the payment of the troop. I the print has been received from Gen-eral Blatter requesting that gold an end Blatter requesting that gold an end Blatter requesting that gold an end shiftle aliver as pautole, out the the Marina dollars. If was Fay manter-General Statuston's intention to send as little aliver as pautole, out the paymon of any End is discound and a suggestion has been made to the blood be removed from any faritor over which the American could be that blood be removed from any faritor over which the American on the dollar intent of commend that American interference of any End is discound and a suggestion has been made to the blood be removed from any faritor over which the American flag finate it is not known that any tradement whose to be questioned in the could blood be removed from any faritor over which the suggestion has been made that American monoy should not ha allowed to be questioned in the could blood be removed from any faritor of the long use of the sliver in Maxie and the South American could be the allowed to be questioned in the could be that a merican income and a been made allowed to be suggestion has been made allowed to be It is understood that Admiral Cervers's fleet left Santiago harbor on the 3d inst. Heavy cannounding was heard outside the entrance, and it is believed a naval battle is raging. At the present moment the Yankee ships are in full retreat.
 Admiral Cervera's fleet turned-westward from Santiago and stood well in toward stors. While the ships rapidly etcamed absod, the two torpedo boats lingered ushind and kept the Yankee cowards at bay.
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Women Who Should Not Ha Now York Times,

The woman who proudly declares that she cannot hem a pocket hand-kerohist, never made up a bed in her life, and adds with a simper that she has "been in society over since she was lifteen."

The woman who thinks she can get 55,000 worth of style out of a one thousand dollar salary. The woman who wants to refaralsh her house every Spring. The woman who buys for the mere pleasure of buying. The woman who buys for the mere pleasure of buying. The woman who buys for the mere pleasure of buying. The woman who buys for the mere than to wear a honnet is or years old. The woman who thinks that the could and surse can keep house. The woman who thinks that the could ream of being a duchess or a counters.

and drama of being a duchess or a countees. The woman who marries in order to have somebody to pay her bills. The woman who cares more for the style of her winter cloak than also cares for the health and comfort of her children. The woman who stays at home only when also cannot find a place to wist. The woman who thinks embroidered contrapieces and "doilies" are more necessary than sheets, pillow cases, and blankets. The woman who buys a brio-s-brac

Diangets. The woman who buys a brie-s-brac for the parlor and borrows kitchen utenuls from her neighbors. The woman whose cleanliness and order extend no further than the draw-

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GOOD STORY OD Gen. JOE WHEELER.

Muys Me Porgot Elineelf-That Me Thought Ste Wos Still Fighting for the Lost Cause When Charging the Spaniards-Diher War Stories. Bill Arp in Atlanta Constitution.

so called who slaoder them or their Burch. But my good old friend Simon Peter Richardson is nothing if not original. He is a strong man every way and our people here like him and love bim far here several years and is a man of con-victions. He is rightly named and would have cut the other ear of Mai-chus if he had been there. He belongs to the church militaot and I would be willing to take his chances for the church triamphant. He was telling me once about a great revival he at-tended over on the Peeder river, and when I asked him how many converts they took in he said : "Nary one, nary one, my friend; but we turned seven-ten out and purged the church. The The revival was allogether sanitary." We had a great treat at our town this morning. Colonel William J. Bryan with his Nebraska regiment stopped here for an hour and they elec-trided everybody with their presence it is by far the best regiment we have seen. The best looking, the best be-haved and the best equipped and they love and idelize their colonel. They love and idelize their colonel. They round his feelings. What a grand and noble man he is. How majestle in person how guite in moneers; how inspiring in language and conversa-tion. How our hearts did burn with-al my interest is national affairs. He is Daniel Webster and Henry Ciay comuned. May the good Lord keep him and preserve him and return bim suce to his family and to the nation. The silver question may peas away and be forgotten. The tariff may mathe down, bu other and greater issues will grow out of the war sud the nation will need a Bryan at the helm of gov-ornment. This is the way I feel ahout it and I cannot help it.

We have been without a national bright and genial when they came out. I'll venture that there was more good I if wenture that there was more good sense and more forbearance, more real reflective patriotism and less seldsb-ness in the recent grand gathering of veterans in Atlants than in any body veterans in Atlanta than in any body of men ever assembled in the United States. These veterans all look alike to me. Hard service has hammered them down like steel used to be ham-mernd out of iron. Their faces, their hearts, their walk, their solidity, their onsiderate conversation, all maria them as men who have been tried and refined in the crucible of war-the dross expelled and the pure gold left. But war is a bad thing-the worst But war is a bad thing-the worst being extremely simple and inexpensive in its machinery. The most striking feature of the law is the new definition of insolvency on which it is based. Hilberto a man has been insolvent who that periodically nations must have war, pestilence or famine to purify them, to purge them and to kill off the them, to parge them and to kill off the unproductive surplus and give quiet to the government. I don't believe that, but 1 am not going to argue about it. John Temple Graves and Simou Peter Bichardson and Joe Ohl have written strong letters about war and how it ennobles a nation. These men are thinkers who make the best of a bad tion." This paper has a way of neming names. It has printed facts about corrupt and incompetent officials and it will print more. No honest or com-petent officer in any party, who is not atraid of the light, has ever been as-sailed in these columns and he need thinkers who make the best of a bad thing, but still we can fall back and entrench upon the the teachings of the Son of Man who said: "My kingdom is pease," "Peace on earth and good will among men." Only a few months have passed, but there is many a heartnever fear criticism unless he deserves it. But the rascals know that they have passed, but there is many a heart-broken mother now weeplog for her soldier son whose shallow grave is in a foreign land. The tears of these mothers are worth a thousand victo-ries. But these preachers perpiex me. Most of them are for the war to go on until we have taken all the islands of the sea and planted missionaries there. One of them said, "my friend, the kingdom of heaven sufferent violence and the violent take it by force," but 1 never heard before that it meant gun and channon and dynamite. I fear that will receive no quarter ! About one month ago my child, which is fifteen months old, had an atand cannon and dynamite. I fear that the zeal of most of these preachers in-spired by their hatred of the Romau Catholic religion. I used to have a taok of diarrhoes accompanied by vom-iting. I gave it such remedies as are usually given in such cases, but as nothing gave relief, we sent for a phy-sician and it was under his care for a week At this time the child had borror of that religion myself, for f had read Fox's book of martyrs and imagined the Spanish inquisition was about to be revived, but time and edubeen slok for about two days and was having about twonty-five operations of the bowels every twelve bours, and we were convinced that on-less it soon obtained relief it would not oution have removed my prejudices and made me tolerant of all the churches. Observation and experience mave taught me that there are good intro taught me that there are good people in all the churches, both Jew and Gentile, and if I was far away from home and in distress a sister of charity would periagn be my first visi-tor. They found my mother when her parents died of the favor in Charleston and they took the friendless orphan to their hearts and eased for her; and f have no patience with Dess preschers,

All Are Not Thieves But They Are is Bad Company,

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often stated, and as often proved by liepublican and Populist witnesses. There are three departments of State government, legislative, judicial and

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2. As to corruption in the judiciary, the Governer's action in removing one judge for drunkenness, and the partisan conduct and incompatence of certain others, of which this paper has been fuil, establishes this charge.
3. There is no man who belives Governor Russell, who will dany that the executive department, embracing all bureaus and so-called departments, has not teemed with "fraud, corruptions, jobs and incompatency."
For specifications of these charges, see the files of every truthful paper in North Carolins for the past two years. While the Legislature was controlled in important matters notably the elec-

Sibouey, Cuba letter: On Sunday morning, near Gon. Shafter's head-quarters, a dozen wounded Spaniarda wore having their wounds dressed. in important matters notably the elec-

4. The torpedo hoats, after logicting incalculable damage on the energy, wore disabled.
5. It is stated that Admiral Corvers inaramed the Yankees greatly by his masterly strategy in leading them on. At this hour to is rapidly advancing toward the Windward Tasange, with the Yankee ships in close persuit. It is believed he will soon have them where he wasts them.
6. Ceven sailors of the Vizzaya, who came ashors a few miles west of El Morro, report that Admiral Corvers's fleet, was giving the energy much approach. The torpedo boats had been destroyed, after seriously damaging the Yankee battleships, and there is some reason to think that the entire Yankee fleet will be speedily bages, not with standing the loss of the Vizzaya.

Nows & Observer. On the 21st of July, in an editorial in this paper, these words were used: "There is no department of govern-ment in North Carolins, administered by State or Federal officials, that is not tainted with fraud, corruption, jobs or iscompetency." We learn that this paragraph has been repeated and the News and Ob-server been charged with asying that every official in North Carolina has stolen money or committed oring. We stolen money or committed orime. We call attention to that falseboud to show what the News and Observer has

7. Admiral Cervera is on board a Yankee warship. No particulars are given as to how be effected its esptare. 8. It is confidently believed that Admiral Cervera has seriously dam-aged the Yankees by running asceral of init boats aground. His presence on a Yankee warship, however, seems to contradict this runnor. 9. Admiral Cervera has abandoned his hoats and transferred his fag to

executiva. 1. The best witnesses as to the corhis bosts and transferred his flag to the nearest Yankee. There is great ruption of the legislative department are the illes of the Cancasian and Prorejolcing.

10. It is removed, though the source cannot be ascertained, that the Spanish fleet has been defeated, and that Ad-miral Cervers is a prisoner. No cre-dence is placed in this absard state-11. Admiral Cervera's fleet is de-

by successive steps, dropped it to 2,500 GLOUCESTER OPENS FIRE.

"Commence firing; forward gans on the first boat, after guus on the seeond," and we began the awful hall-storm that continued thereafter almost mintorruptedly for two bours. In an incredibly short space of time we were incredibly short space of time we were within a thousand yards of the Furor, the nearest boat. We had proceeded along the hypothenuse of a right-an-gled triangle, and the energy along one of the legs, our courses converging to a point. One contestant to be rest. a point. One contestant to be reck-oned with as we found out, was the fort. It began to let fly at us. The abelia went singing over our beads, but we paid no attention to them. How they continued to miss us is a mystery. In the meantime the fight was speed ing westward. Fortunately, the sea was comparatively smooth, enabling us to sight our guns on the Gioucester, shich, eyen under the best circum-stances, is an unsteady platform.

The space between us and the destroyers was rapidly decreasing. I must have been pulling the trigger twelve times a minute. How many of the shells reached the mark I do know; some, certainly. To catch the effect of a shot while other guns are belching forth smoke and shell all around is beyound the power of the human eye. The marvel is now under such trying circumstances we man-aged to hit anything besides sky and aged to nit anytoing besides aky and water. Like the roar of a distant storm came the boom of the heavy guns of the fleet firing at the four cruisers. I am not certain whother I even heard them; every faculty was concentrated on the Furor and the Pluton. The Indiana had been at our gide at the start and had fired her side at the start and had dred her secondary battery at long range at the destroyers, but she, like the rest had slipped away in search of larger prey, leaving us to fight it out with the two redoubted torpedo boats, the terrors of the naval world. By an unprejudiced outsider we would hardly have been considered a custoh for one of the litthe black yeasels. We, however, were more conceited, and thought ourselves a match for both together. From the point of view of valuerability there was but little to choose between us and the Spaniards. We and they slike were cockleshells, which required only a shot in the right place to send us to a most is the right pade to send us to kingdom course. But as regards arm-ament, matters were not so equal. Here are the statistics concerning the three vessels, which show their rela-tive fighting strength. The Furer was

whisting above and around me in watching the battle. Who can de-scribe the angry sound of a passing shell? It comes like the wind rusiing round the corner, increasing to a shrick, and then it is gone, and anoth er passes by in hot chase. It is like flight of a flock of birds in the night, one behind another.

SHRIERING OF THE SHELLS

There was a note of mockery in the sound. They all seemed to pass directly by my side. One of them I know was within reach of my hand. Still they continued to fly around us, striking water on either side. The tension of expectation of being struck was terrible. In fact, it would have been a relief to hear the long-expected explosion. It was impossible not to do something; I must lind employment So I tried to help with the rauge of one of the port guus by standing to one side and observing where the shot struck. One I saw go clean through the Foror, and my occupation was gone. But now the Spaniards were beginning to get the range with their deadly automatic one-pounders. These gons are served by a helt with a series

of shells that fire in rapid suco One shot in the right place would sink us. There was a line of splanbes in the water, like that made by jumping fish, tracing accurately the length of our vessel, and gradually coming nearer and nessrer. It was the sutomatic 1-pounder. INd the shots over reach us we ware lost; not only would the vessel bink but our decks would be swept. Nearer, nearer came the splashes. It was an awful moment. Crush | crash | went our guns, and abave all the tenor of the Colts, and suddenly, when within ten yards of the ship, the splashes ceased; the man firing the gin had been killed at his post. We were saved temporarily. But still the enemy was fighting for dear life; both torpedo destroyers were trying their best to sink us. We refused to go down. Suddenly the pin of No. 4 gun dropped ont, and it was necessary to remove the breech-block and find the It was all done quietly, quickly pin. It was all done quietly, quie but the nervous strain was awful. vere now within 500 yards of the Furor, firing sometimes at her and sometimes at the Pluton. At this point the New York went speeding by and choured us as she passed. Grad-nally the Fluton's guns became silent. and it was evident that she was in dis treas. She was making for the shore

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for a large part of that time Congress has had some bankruptcy bill under consideration. It has been extremely difficult to reconcile conflicting inter ests and to frame a measure which should be just to creditors without meeting to bear hardly upon debtors. Yet the need of a national law has be-

Yet the need of a national law has be-come every year more urgent, because the different state laws vary widely in their provisions, and no state law cin absolve a man from the payment of debts due to non-residents. The new law has the advantage of

could not pay his debts when they were due. But under this law he is not in-solvent unless his entire property, at a fair valuation, is insufficent to meet his debts. This helps the debtor, by his dects. This neeps the dector, by reckoning to his credit all property which, even though be cannot turn it immediately into cash, has actual raise. The law exempts farmers and wagecarners from proceedings in involun-tary bankruptey. It recognizes only two offences, one perjury, and the other the concealment of property from a trustee. Only when one of these crimes has been cornwitted, or fraudient books have been kept, can a debtor be refused a discharge from his debts The law makes void all detitious sales or transfers of property to get it out of the way of creditors; and it does not allow a debtor to "prefer" creditors, that is, to turn his property over to certain creditors to the exclusion of others.

The tendency of a good national bankruptcy law, which gives an bonest debtor release from debts which he can not pay, and distributes assets fairly among creditors, is to diminish the risks of business and to strengthen credit. Much is hoped for from the new law in these directions.

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While the recent brilliant exploits of Dewey and Hobson have attracted at-teotion throughout the world, Frivate Cornell of the First Alabama, deserves recognition. Corpell was tried by court-martial for overstaying leave of absence, and it came ont in the proceedings that the young man, within the period of 24 hours, had collected \$17.00, got married, and joined the oburch. Corpell was excused. know that there were representatives of all parties whose hands were clean from bribery. While there are incom-potent and partisau judges, this paper has not said that all the judges be-konged to that category. We do not so believe. While this paper has ax-posed the "fraud, corruption, jobs and incompetency" of the executive de-partment, it has not charged that svery officer was a rescal. There are officials who do not deserve to have every officer was a rescal. Inere are officials who do not descrive to have such terms applied to them, and we have not so described them. As to Federal positions, the same is true. Here and there, in the State and Federal administration is a man whose public reourd has not been bestmeared by scandal, but we must say that, like Mark Twain's honest man in politics, he occupies a mighty lonesome post

nove his leg so that his boot could be unlaced, when Mr. Charles Pepper, the Washington correspondent, volun-teered to act as interpreter. Stooping down to the Spaniard he gaye the message, and, as is the Spaniab cus-tom, he prefaced his remark with "Amigo." Instantly the young Span-iard's face lightened with amassment and delight. He grasped Mr. Pepper by the hand and exclaimed incredulously: "Thou callest me friend !" "Thou callest me friend !" Mr. Pepper explained the remark to

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stroyed and he is a prisoner. Later re-ports denying this impossible disaster are confidently expected. 12. The later reports don't come.

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Mr. Pepper explained the remark to the two other correspondents with him, and when they, too, shock hands with the Spaniard and helped the sur-geou to unlace his shoes it was really a study to watch the surprised expres-sions of the other Spaniards.

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Cor, News and Obsorver. GOLDEBOILO, N. C. July 26.—Ap-parently not being content with being almost totally estracised by the white people of this city, Judge W. S. O'll. Robinson; to further degrade himself, walked into one of the most promi-bent drug stores here this morning accompanied by a begro mass and or-dered for "Sambo" a cold drink. The elerk courteously told the Ra-publican Judge that finks were not dispensed to magness at that fountain, whereup the Judge besame furiously entaged and left the suce in dompany with the "cullud gemastic," and when at a safe distance began to rurse and abus the proprietors for not serving his dusky friend.

Evading Service.

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A recruit, wishing to evade service. A recruit, whating to evade merrice, was brought up for medical inspection, and the doctor saked him: "llave you any defects ?" "Yes, sir; I am short-sighted." "How can you prove 18 ?" "Emsily evough, doctor. Do you see that nall up youder in the wall ?" "Yes." "Well, I don't."

The Best Remody for Finz. less it soon obtained relier is would not live. Chamberlain's Colie, Cholers and Distributes Remich was recommen-ded, and I decident to try it. I soon noticed a change for the better; by its continued use a complete cure was brought about and it is now perfectly healthy.—C. I., Hoggs, Stampfown, Gilmer Co., W. Va. For sale by J. E. Carry & Co. The Bees Benearly for First. Mr. John Mathias, a well known stock dealer of Pulaski, Ky., Says. "Attac suffering for own a week with flux, and my physician baving failed to relieve me, I was advised to try Class-berlau's Colle, Obolers and Diarrhous Rescord, and have the pleasure of sta-ting that the half of one bottle eared me." For sale by J. E. Carry & Co.

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The Pine Hill Becorder referror to us editorially last week as "that com-mon critter with red-bot ambition for place and power." Yes, we are the man. We were born in a shanty, reared ou corn meal and 'mames, and never any broad-cloth until we were twenty-five years old. That makes us The Pine Hill Recorder referred to reared on corn meal and "names, and never any broad-cloth until we were twenty-five years old. That makes as a "common critter." We have the ambition just as stated. A war map of our ambition would be a slight for school children. We beld three polit-cal offices and two appointments, but we sigh for a dozen more. We want to go to congress next year, and the year after thist we want to ren for president on a winning ticket. The *Recorde*: can't hurt our feelings by pitching into our ambition. We've you it and got it bad. While we vir-tually carry this half of Arizons in our vest pocket, we hanker for the other half and the most of the United States. Other editors may not want shies, but they can't come too fast for us. Any one anowing of a vannut political offices in this territory will confer a great favor by our sumministing with m.

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Philadelphia Heard. It is probably not yet too late to in-trease the speed of our battleships now in course of construction, and the President and Secretary Long should make exhaustive efforts to have there butleships constructed to atake. The highest speed of the battleships of the world. Unless this shell be done one own new war result, hereever patient-by constructed, would rank only as social class, as it is new fully demon-strated that is here fully demon-strated that is here a classify for action. Let us have no more in our ward to be would be unperdone instantion. In the new of the more instantion. Let us have no more in our ward vanils has been as clearly demon-strated that is would be unperdonable for our government to turn out any buttleship. The value can not after the speed of cighteen mote.

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"Yoa'ze de apple of my eye, honey,' said Rastus. "Go away, fool nigger !" cried the elle. "Henry Johnsing done to!" belle. ' me

Proofs of Affection