# A RANK DECISION.

SUPREME COURT KEEPS UP ITS RECORD.

#### HELPS OMAHA REPUBLICANS

DESPERATE MEASURES USED TO CAPTURE CONTROL.

A Supreme Court Decision which Commissioners.

Lincoln, Neb., June 28.-The supreme cord with the constitutional law and

The frantic effort of the most disrepof that city. Failing in every other attempt, they have resorted to the supreme court and have found there helping hands, as have many another set of schemers against the public wel-

The deal was to test the constitutionality of the law creating the fire and police commissioners of Omaha before the supreme court. It was looked upon generally as an absurd proposi-tion, because the provisions of the constitution and of the statutes were so plain; because the supreme court had time and again affirmed and reaffirmed | dain the constitutionality of the law. in such desperate straits as it is today. In fact, the ward politicians, with stuff that heroes are made of. their ally-the gambling syndicatewere highly in favor of such a decision. But things change and men change

be entered against the present members. The opinion of the court is written by Norval and Commissioner Ragan, con-, curred in by the chief justice, becomes

the opinion of the court. The attorney for the board appointed by the city council of Omaha was present when the opinion was made public and he at once demanded of the lerk that the writ of ouster against J. H. Peabody, D. D. Gregory, W. C. Bullard and R. E. Lee Herdman be at once issued. The clerk declined to do so, and went into the judge's consultation room instructed by the judges to not issue a book of his experiences which he both land and sea.

the writ until the forty days allowed called "The Smoked Yank."

As I have indicat filing a motion for a rehearing had it can be heard by the court and determined.

of this application for a rehearing until big game in the jungles of Africa.

MAKES STRANGE MOVE. When the case was argued before M. B. Reese, who appeared in this case the Omaha city council. Judge Reese was on the supreme bench when the curred in the opinion in that case. which the court today, in response to his argument as an attorney, overas a judge when he was occupying the state house.

The general expression has been for some time that the opinion would be the mob. handed down at this time, but the in favor of the validity of the law and commission came into existence in Ne-

SOME TELL-TALE MARKS. The fact that the opinion which now about it evidences of having been writ- | zens. ten for the signature or with the understanding that it was approved by the majority tends to strengthen the belief of those who held to the idea that the law was to be sustained. The obliterated line at the close of the dissenting opinion is now the only thing written first and what is now the majority opinion was written last, and the latter was at its writing, perhaps, intended to be the dissenting opinion. The circumstances are interesting and it has been sugested by an attorney who is apt with his quotations from chat about it is interesting.

## SPRAY OF THE WAR WAVE.

General Blanco's sudden dislike for flags of truce is excusable. Flags of truce are suggestive of fate.

The sea serpent has disappeared from the summer resorts on the Atlantic coast, but phantom battleships supply all the excitement required by the resorters. Republics are not ungrateful, even to

in eastern warehouses cost \$18.75 a year Ensign Pearson of Admiral Dewey's flagship went into the service from there is this disadvantage. A large

Utah and the state is to present him with a sword as a tribute to his strain of use, and cannot stand halbravery in the battle of Manila bay.

The strength of the enlisted force of the navy, including the naval reserve, ts 20,400 men, and 5,000 more are wanted. Three grandsons of the late Admiral commander of the confederate ruiser Alabama, are now in the United States service, keeping step to the music of the union.

Blanco, "the feet of the foreign in-Blanco, "the feet of the foreign in-eyes and jumped up he almost fel vader now presses the sacred soil of against a stranger who stood near the Cuba." They are also pressing on Santiago, Havana. Caramba! As a commissary inspector Russell Harrison is giving contractors much trouble and spoiling their profits. Several of them have been turned down in attempting to unicad counterfelt grub on the army.

REAL COWBOY REGIMENT.

No Frills About Grigsby's Boys, They Know Their Business. One of the most spectacular incldents of the war with Spain has been provided by "Teddy" Roosevelt and his band of alleged "rough riders." Despatches from the south teem with the doings of the strange conglomeration of Fifth avenue dudes and s-called cowboys until one grows heartily sick of it all. When Colonel Roosevelt resigned his responsible post as assistant secretary of the navy to raise his band of terrible warriors, the more conservative of his friends did not hesitate to indulge in hostile criticism. They argued, and not without good

grounds, that it was, .o use a bit of expressive slang, a "grand stand play." And we in New York have grown -- To Oust Present Fire and Police redoubtable "Teddy" and his kid-gloved cohorts, unless, perchance, we have been gifted with a sense of humor, in which event we have been quietly amused. But there are many of us who take "Teddy" and his rough court has handed down another decision riders quite seriously, not realizing that from the landing place near Balquiri to face it, but to induce them to show which appears to be more in line with down at Chickamauga, eagerly waiting to the heights overlooking the city of fierce charging courage, the courage republican politics than it does in ac- an opportunity to get into the fighting. Santiago. is another hand of rough riders, who utable criminal and political characters of volunteer cavalry, consisting of 640 Saturday night, the invading army will of Omaha have bent every effort to genuine simon pure cowboys and be ready to attack Santiago within secure control over the police system plainsmen. They are perhaps not as forty-eight hours.

them have records as Indian fighters. There was a report that the assault and all are imbued with an intense was begun today, but such was not patriotism.

from the colonel down to the most ob- the landing of the supplies. But the republican machine was not scure trooper, who have records to be General Shafter, who was in full unt-

But things change and men change look upon their enlistment as a holi-with them. So the supreme court now hands down an opinion declaring the law authorizing the governor to an law authorizing the governor to ap- any too soon to suit them. point four members of the fire and

police board of Omaha is unconstitutional and that a judgment of ouster Judge Norval and Commissioner Ragan Although comparatively a young man, of Santiago from the heights. and is concurred in by Chief Justice his life has been filled with adventure. General Shafter learned from Harrison. There is a dissenting opin- At the close of the civil war, through ban generals the exact points at which ion written by Commissioner Ryan. in which he fought with distinction, he their 4,000 men are camped. General which Judge Sullivan and Commissioner Ryan. in which he fought with distinction, he Garcia, because of his knowledge of sioner Irvin join. This makes an even division of the numbers of the members of the supreme court, but as the two judges control the opinion of Judge ent attorney general of South Dakots. General Linares' course in abandon. lons he escaped, being recaptured the to General Shafter.

without the attorneys for the of whom have made names for them- pend entirely upon when the heavy arold board having filed such a motion, selves int he west. Lieutenant Colonel tillery is put in position before the city. When this motion for rehearing is filed Floyd of Helena, Mont., is a graduate of The three generals finally agreed upon the cork will refrain from issuing the West Point, who has passed through the points at which the Cubans shall ourt and determined.

The court adjourned for the summer of the regiment, is a Washington sur- General Shafter and General Garcia vacation and will not meet again until goon, but he has spent most of his realize, however, that the enemy is the List week in September. This life in the west. During the last few prepared to make a desperate resistwill necessitate a day in the hearing years, however, he has been hunting ance, but they are confident that the

Captain Jack Foster, Captain Joseph Binder and Captain Bullock command respectively troops A. B and C. All Sarcia, it is understood here, place the supreme court there was a some- have records as fighters and all have much credence in the report that Genwhat strange sight presented of an at-torney appearing and asking that a early days. Captain Bullock is one of as to attack our army from the rear former decision of the court, made the best known men of the northwest. when the Americans advance against when he was on the supreme bench His record had preceded him, and he the city. General Garcia maintains and concurred in by himself, should be was made the first sheriff of Lawrence that the Spanish commander has not a overruled. This was ex-Chief Justice county. "When I first went to Dead-torce large enough to warrant him in the county of the county." as attorney for the men appointed by other day, "they killed about one man a day in street fights, and no one was ever punished. When I got through Seavey case was tried and he con- with my second term not more than hat General Linares will hold his enone man was killed in a week."

In other words, the present time Captain Bullock came over the members of the bench attached greater trail from Montana. This was the trial weight to the arguments of Judge and acquittal of "Jack" McCall for the Pando will be unable to get his forces Reese when he apepared as counsel be- killing of "Wild Bill." Bullock had not fore them than they did to his opinion yet obtained his commission as sheriff, and he did not interfere in the trial, same position they now hold; at least which was conducted in the street. that construction might be put upon There was no doubt about the killing it The opinion seemed a surprise to of "Wild Bill" by McCall, but the murthe attorneys who were around the derer told a story of wrongs done him by "Wild Bill," and the jury decided to

They took him up to the head of the feeling among those who have followed the case was positive that it would be him to ride for his life. At the end of gulch, mounted him on a horse and told one minute every man in the camp the sustaining principle which the court | would commence shooting at him. It is has adhered to since the first police needless to say that McCall made fast time, and turned a bend in the road just as a hundred rifles cracked at the end of the specified time. Since that time Bullock has been identified with appears as the minority opinion has Deadwood as one of its leading citi-

In a grated window of the county The panes of glass, two sparrows began crushing blow. last week to build a nest. They worked three days bringing wisps of grass that leads to the belief that it was and feathers and strings and weaving General Shafter has arrived on them in behind and around the bars. The prisoners on the second tier of cells, with time hanging heavy on their the army transports was unloaded at

the birds. Friday afternoon the prisoners heard great chattering of sparrows, and king out they saw that one of the shall be last and the last shall be its neck. Its fluttering tightened the work of hauling the heavy slege guns If one of the judges changed string and choked it, and it was danglis mind after the original discussion ling helpless from the bar, within a and tedious, but all will be in readiif the case this state of affairs could few yards of the black gallows in the and would be brought about. As a mat- jail on which have been hanged four ter of speculation as to what goes on men and on which three more will excited and chattered loudly, fluttering around and pecking at the string. tie cries brought out other sparrows, who chirped excitedly and pecked at the string with their bills. Soon there were a dozen sparrows flying around the hanging bird, and they kept up their hattering for a half hour; then a deputy marshal tore the bird loose with a long stick. It was dead -Kansas City Star.

"There is something I have noticed cats. A number of tabbies employed to about eyes, though I am not an ocuguard the meal tubs of the government list, that probably few people know. said Dr. Theodore lig of St. Loui You have often seen a large, hand. some eye, and no doubt admired it, but eye is much more susceptible to the the wear and tear that a small eye can There is a compensation, however; the one is pretty and all right if taken care of, and the other not beautiful, bu substantial."

Herman Bergdorf's alarm clock prob ably saved him from losing his watch ing. The clock broke the stience at . bed. The intruder tried to get out but Burgdorf held him fast and found

his watch in the stranger's possession The Thirty-fifth ward of Philadelphia claims to be the banner asparague growing section of the world

ABE READY FOR THE FIGHT

SIEGE GUNS ARE PLACED IN POSITION.

Battle of Santiago May Commence Observations of the City--American Flag Waves for Miles.

At the Front, on the Rio Gauma .-(Special)—It is announced on very high stitute a comparison as to national authority that almost 20,000 Spanish courage, so much depends upon cirsoldiers had arrived at Santiago de cumstances, upon discipline and, with Cuba when the advance began, and it is added that General Pando may be Smacks Strongly of Rank Politics quite hysterical over the doings of the able to effect a junction with General are hungry. Frenchmen are distinctly Linares at Santiago de Cuba.

> General Shafter's Headquarters, Juragua-Marked success has attended transporting its siege and field guns

Unless the Spaniards are able to

pretty as Rooseveit's pets. They are big. bronzed fellows, every one a born big. bronzed fellows, every one a born borseman and a dead shot, every one from General Wheeler, General Lawused to exposure and hardened by ton, Colonel Wood and Lieutenant Colyears of life on the plains. Many of onel Roosevelt tonight and tomorrow,

the case. There are no valets in the camp of General Shafter debarked from the Colonel Grigsby's Third regiment at Saguranca this morning and proceed-Chickamauga. There are no golf sticks ed at once to this point, where he is in and polo clubs to be kept in order. The close communication with the comsociety reporter would pass this camp manders of the advance divisions of of plainsmen by with a sniff of dis- the army. General Bates met him, and And yet there are men there, they conferred for a few minutes about

proud of, and who have in them the form and wore a straw helmet, found, after much difficulty, a magnificent There are no pampered sons of the horse for use in the campaign. After rich in this outfit. These men do not attending to some minor matters at ican commander rode several miles to-Your true westerner can only be com- ward Santiago, passing on his way the manded by a man for whom he has the camps of General Garcia and General respect born of superiority. And in Castillo. He visited, before his return, Colonel Grigsby they have a man in General Wheeler and the other diviswhom that respect is very deep rooted. ion commanders, and made observation

General Shafter learned from the Cu-During the civil war he was once a ing Sevilla without resistance. He had prisoner at Andersonville and twice a learned from his scouts many details prisoner at the equally horrible prison of the Spanish plan for the defense of pen at Florence, S. C. On both occa. Santiago, and he gave this information

first time after having spent thirty-five | General Kent's division today took a days in the swamps. His sobriquet, position on the extreme left flank of "the Smoked Yank," was given him the enemy, near Morro castle, and it after he reached Sherman's army, be- is likely that this advance caused the ause of his grimy face, the result of rumor that the assault on the city had long exposure and the soot of many begun. General Kent's men are now solitary campfires in the wilderness. to ask what he should do. He was At the conclusion of the war he wrote ican flag being visible for miles from

> As I have indicated in previous dis-The regiment is officered by men all patches the hour of the attack will deattack, and I am able to add that all superior numbers and courage of their troops will insure a complete victory. Neither General Shafter nor General remarked Captain Bullock the adopting such a course. He bases his spinion on the reports brought by his lost reliable scouts.

All the information at hand indicates tire force in Santiago. He may conclude One of the first and most notorious to have General Pando attempt to atcases of lynch trial occurred about the tack our rear when the fighting begins but even this is doubtful. In fact, the chances are ten to one that General in the vicinity of Santiago before the attack begins.

rushing preparations for the attack is to prevent the possibility of such action on the part of General Pando. General Shafter was accompanied to camp today by Colonel John Jacob let him go, provided he could escape Astor, Captain Stewart M. Brice, Lieutenant Noble, Lieutenant Miley and other members of his staff.

One of General Shafter's reasons for

Complaints are heard that there are coo many Cubans co-operating with Jeneral Shafter's army in this campaign. The Cubans, it is alleged, are sating everything in sight, and leaving little for our troops.

With the Army, Saturday, by the Herald's Dispatch Boat Golden Rod to Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 28.-As a result of a few days' operations 20,000 troops, representing the combined forces of General Shafter and General jall, between the Iron bars and the Jarcia, are ready to strike Santiago a

General Wheeler's division of the army is within ten miles of the city. scene and is hurrying troops forward n the direction of Santiago. The last of hands, watched the home building of noon Sunday, and three hours later an army of 8,000 men stretched out to the westward of Sibony for a distance of

sight miles. precepts therein taught, that it is birds in weaving a string into the nest, but an illustration of how "The first shall be last and the last shall be its neek. Its fluid not not the nest, but an illustration of how the last shall be its neek. Its fluid not not the nest, but an ahead to build a military road. The ness for an attack on the city by the time General Shafter's command comes ap from Baiquiri. The progress of the in the privacy of the consultation of probably be hanged this summer. The the judges the present case and the mate of the hanging bird was wildly pack mules. It is extremely difficult to this reason attention at the moment is centered upon the work of the engi-

neers. Our forces Sunday were in full possession of the advanced points they continue their retreat into Sevilla. They cannot long withstand the advance of American and Cuban forces. Two housand Cubans brought from West in transports were landed Balquiri, and at once joined Shafter's

army. Our men complained bitterly of the seven miles along the road the troops have left a trail of discarded uniforms and blankets. They cannot wear woolens in Cuba at this season and have embraced the first opportunity lighten their burden.

London. June 28 -The Cadiz fleet of warships and transports arrived at Port Said, the Mediterraneon entrance of the Suez canal, Sunday.

The first news of the fleet came from Alexandria, Egypt, in a dispatch which stated that the Spanish armada had been sighted in the vicinity of Port Said. From Cairo it was learned that at a late hour Admiral Camara, com-mander of this formidable fleet, had

Lieutenant Hobson and his men are still in communication with the fleet. There is little prospect that they will be exchanged before the attack on Santiago is made.

COURAGE IN BATTLE.

It is by no means easy to decide which of the races of mankind is the bravest upon the battle field. The London Spectator is rather inclined to assign that place to the Osmanli, who, besides his natural stolldity and exemption from nerves, has the pride of race of hereditary conquerors, exalt-Battle of Santiago May Commence ed by an honest belief that God is on his side or that fate is irresistible. If he is to die he will die; if not, not; and he charges through the hall of shot with an imperturbable serenity which makes him the delight of disciplinarians and the despair of decent men. It is, however, most difficult even to in-

some races, upon leadership. Very few troops fight well when they braver, by their own confession, when they are led by a Napoleon, and Ger-General Shafter's Headquarters, Ju-ragua—Marked success has attended the work of the American army in discipline. Slavs will face any danger which approaches if they are ordered which sweeps away armies, they must have confidence in the general and see are just exactly what they seem to be. offer more resistance than they have him at their head. Italians have hard-I refer to Colonel Milt Grigsby's troop attempted since they evacuated Sevilla ly been tried of late years, though they died in their tracks at Dogali; and Spaniards, once esteemed the bravest infantry in Europe, have in more recent years appeared to have lost some confidence either in their officers or themselves. Even the evidence is imperfect.

We English, remarks the Spectator, believe in our hearts that we make the best soldiers in the world; but, as a matter of fact, there is no evidence for the assertion; indeed, there is little evidence the other way. There is plen-ty of proof running through all history that the class of Englishmen who take to the army have no superiors in battle, if, indeed, they have any equals; but the English people have never yet been tried. They have never yet been subjected to a conscription or anything approaching to one, and the voluntary adoption of a soldier's life naturally acts as a winnowing process.

The question of the comparative proportion of really brave men in any army will probably never be determin-Great officers on the continent keep their knowledge on that subject on the side of the Spaniards against rigorously as a professional secret and the invaders." assume as a certainty that all soldiers are brave. They know very well, howto face shells unshrinkingly.

any in the world, 20 per cent would run away if they could, and in every army, even ours, which a man enters only of free will, there is a certain proportion that literally can not overcome rebels who are besieging Manila exits fears. They are stricken with a ceed 25,000 men. sort of paralysis. The proportion is probably not high in any army, the the Spanish squadron is any majority, if in health, being able to awaited, as Manila is untenable. do their dut and having intense mo-tives to do it; but neither is the pro-portion high of those soldiers who lit-erally feel no fear. There are such men, who do not quite understand what the emotion is, as there are some also who have in extreme danger a sense of pleasure, which sometimes not only quickens their blood, but distinctly increases their intellectual force.

This is said to have been true of General Picton, who, though a hard, rough man, was an "argel when bullets were about;" and was undoubtedly true of go now to the president. the first Lord Gough, who had a trick, highly disagreeable to his staff, of seek-ing points of full exposure to the enemy's fire. The immense respect paid to such men

in all armies shows, however, that they are exceptional, and, on the whole, we believe that the opinion of the first Sir Henry Havelock is very nearly the truth. The writer once had an oppor-tunity during a discussion on the utility of the Victoria Cross of cross-questioning that famous general on the subject, and never forgot his reply: "In my experience," he said, "in any British regiment there are always a hundred men who would storm gates of hell, eight hundred who, if they did it, would follow in, one hundred who want to skulk in the ditches, and about thirty who actually do skulk there or elsewhere."

The averages should be higher in a onscript army, but then also, the disipline is more severe. Why discipline should impart courage is something of a mystery, but there is no shadow of a doubt that it does, and that a well disciplined regiment is not only more obedient, but actually more indifferent to danger, probably because the continuous habit of self-suppression has posi-

tively diminished selfishness. The popular notion that seasoned troops are much braver than ovices seems, however, to be unfounded. They are more afraid of giving way, knowing what a hell upon earth commences f men begin running; but Waterloo was won, in considerable measure, by oung soldiers, and Speicheren was carried by regiments in which no private had ever seen a shot fired in anger.

#### His Fighting Spirit High.

I was down in the mountain region of West Virginia last week, said the returned special agent of the internal revenue department, and I happened upon one war incident down where, you would suppose, people had enough fighting of their own to do without going to foreign countries for it. One morning as I was riding thro' a lonesome valley I came upon a house at the turn of the hill, and as I passed a man came out and joined me, taking the side of the road, as is common oft entimes where there are a rider and a walker going the same direction. "How far is it to Sam Morgan's," was the first question I asked.

"Old Sam's or young Sam's?" "I didn't know there were two." Thar wuzn't until two weeks ago, when young Sam got hitched and rented the Mullins farm. It's two miles

to the old man's." "Do I keep on this way?" "Yes, foller the crick, I reckon," he Then he went on: "Thar ar' liketo be a war, hain't thar?"

"That's what most people think where come from." "Whar's that, mister?" "Washington."

"Well, I reckon that's headquarters, an' ef they think it thar then thar'll be sum fightin'," and his face bright-"Are you in favor of war?"

"I never wuz till here lately, and now 'm jest achin' fer it." "I suppose the continued cruelty of the Spaniards toward those helpless re-concentrados, added to the loss of the Maine, is too much for you to bear?" "Well, no," he hesitated. ""Tain't that, I reckon."

"Not that?" I said, in surprise, "No, stranger," and he glanced over his shoulder at the house. "You see, I've been married to John Pressler's widder fer about six weeks, and I've got to the p'int when I've jist got to fight somebody or somethin'. I can't fight the old woman, an' I don't want

widder. She'll be another one ef this the head. var gits declared on. -Washington Star.

The cigarmakers at Tampa hire man to read to them while they work.

This is a revival of a New England shop custom prior to the introduction of machinery.

AUGUSTI IN A BAD FIX.

SPANISH RANKS THINNED BY FEAR AND DISEASE.

Captain General Declares He Will not Surrender to Insurgents-Maof Chicago and Milwaukee. It is a far nilaa Doomed City--I hirty Thousand Rebels Armed.

Madrid, June 30.-The government has received the following dispatch from General Augusti:

"The situation is still as grave. continue to maintain my position in-side the line of blockhouses, but the enemy is increasing in numbers as the rebels occupy the provinces which are surrendering. Torrential rains are inundating the intrenchments, rendering steamers plying between Chicago and the work of defense difficult the work of defense difficult. "The number of sick among the go

creased desertions of the native sol-"It is estimated that the insurgents

number 30,000 armed with rifles and 100,000 armed with swords, etc. "Aguinaldo has summoned me to surrender, but I have treated his proposal with disdain, for I am resolved to maintain the sovereignty of Spain and the honor of the flag to the last extremity.

"I have over 1,000 sick and wounded. "The citadel has been invaded by the suburban inhabitants, who have abandoned thir homes owing to the barbarity of the rebels. These inhabiants constitute an embarrassment, aggravating the situation, in view of the bombardment, which, however, is not seriously apprehended for the moment.

"The governor of the Visayas and Mindanao islands cables that he has defated the insurgents, during which Chief Arco, Aguinaldo's representative, was killed. He adds that tranquility now prevails throughout these islands, and he further says that the principal Malay chiefs of the Mindanao group claim they desire to fight

According to advices the emissaries sent out to seek a column of 1,000 ever, that they are not, and when con-fidential will admit, as Marshal von Captain General Augusti's family is Moltke once did in public, that with a still in the hands of the insurgents. great number it takes discipline, and General Pena with 1,000 soldiers has severe discipline, too, to induce them surrendered. His soldiers, most of whom are natives, joined the insurg-American officers, continues the Spec- ents. A majority of the detachment tator, have been known to acknowledge in the island of Luzon have surrendered that of their men, who are as brave as owing to their lack of food, though any in the world, 20 per cent would some succeeded in escaping. Numerous Spaniards, including the

governors of Batanga, Luna and Bula-can, have taken refuge at Cavite. The The city is completely isolated and the Spanish squadron is anxiously Small rebel craft navigate the bay

READY FOR SIGNING.

conveying prisoners to Cavite.

Conference Report on Bankruptcy Bill is Adopted.

house today the conference report on the bankruptcy bill was adopted by a

Ray (rep., N. Y.). posed of Mr. Mason (rep., Pa.), asked unanimous consent for disagreement to the senate amendment to the "omnibus bill," and for granting the re-quest of the senate for a conference.

Pending disposition of the request, Mr. Loud (rep., Cal.) secured the floor, payment of war claims, criticising severely the policy that was leading to wholesale payment of such claims. He said the bill as it passed the house originally carried but \$1,100,000, and the senate had added \$8,000,000, but a ompact, he added, existed at the time the bill passed the house, whereby no other claims were to be passed in case the \$1,100,000 should go through. Consent was given when Mr. Loud concluded, and the chair appointed as conferees Messrs Mahon, Otjen (rep., Wis.) and

# Richardson (dem., Tenn.).

The Third Call. Washington, D. C., June 30.-The president will issue early next week a third call for troops. The exact number to be called for has not been determined, but there seems to be no doubt that at least 150,000 will be invited to enlist.

The war department estimates that 50,000 troops will be needed in Santiago province, 125,000 in Havana province, 20,000 in Cienfuegos and vicinity, 20,000 in Porto Rico and 60,000 in the Philippines. A reserve force of 100,000 is held to be essential for retention in this

country. The president is convinced that the estimates of American strength needed for subjugating Cuba have been short. He has been much impressed with Shafter's experience in Santiago, and assumes that the conditions existent there will be found to pervade in other parts of the country.

#### VICTIMS OF THE WRECK.

Tupelo, Miss., June 28.-A railway accident occurred at this place at 3:40 Sunday afternoon, in which four soldiers lost their lives and others re-ceived fatal injuries. Everything was done to relieve the wounded by the local physicians and citizens, who were

soon upon the scene. Killed: Willie B. Wallace, troop C. Sam Johnson, troop C. - Gordon, colored porter. Cornelius Lenihan, troop C. Private Gimmer.

Fatally injured: Henry S. Mapes, troop C, both legs cut off, punctured in abdomen. R. D. Staley, troop C, elbow dislocat

Wallace Hodge, troop G, ankle bro-George Gardner, troop C, hip hurt. Rudolph Widmar, officers' mess cook back sprained. Hiram F. Davis, troop C, ankle sprained Henry Steltz, troop C, leg broken.

Will Grovener, troop C, leg bruised. Jos. Aaren, troop C, back sprained. W. H. Robbins, troop A. ankle dislo cated. Arthur Evans, troop A, slightly injured. Schenck, troop C. leg badly

ter fight any uv the neighbors, but I've got ter fight, an' I'd ruther fight them darn Spanyards thin anybody else I knows uv. Y' ain't never been married, have yer, mister?"

I shook my head.

"Well," he said, with a long-drawn breath, "you don't know nuthin' whatsomever about the feelin's a man has got sometimes. No wonder she was a widder. She'll be another one of this light them of the sleeping car, which was separated from the engine of the second section by a short caboose. The force of the impact carried the first section forward to light them of the sleeping car, which was separated from the engine of the second section by a short caboose. The force of the impact carried the first section forward to light them of the sleeping car, which was separated from the engine of the second section by a short caboose. The force of the impact carried the first section forward to light the result that M. Bargeve was drawn out of the room by his feet, in a very ignominious fashion. He was taken to the infirmary, and it is reported that he has gone mad and celivered to Al'election one in the engine of the second section by a short caboose. The force of the impact carried the first section forward the first section forward to light the result that M. Bargeve was drawn out of the room by his feet, in a very ignominious fashion. He was taken to the infirmary, and it is clivered to Al'election one in the left that the was somewhat surprised, and his screams soon brought the left in a very ignominious fashion. He was taken to the infirmary, and it is clivered to Al'election one in the left in a very ignominious fashion. He was taken to the infirmary, and it is clivered to Al'election one in the left in a very ignominious fashion. He was taken to the infirmary and it is clivered to Al'election one in the left in a very ignominious fashion. He was taken to the infirmary and it is clivered to Al'election one in the left in a very ignominious fashion. He was taken to the infirmary and it is clivered to Al'election one in the l Colonel Torrey was in a state room

completely overcome on account of the lorable affair.

SITE LINE

CUPID ON A STEAMBOAT.

Marries You and Gives a Wedding Trip for Nothing. Cupid, who has been fancy free for countless ages, and whose merry pranks have caused thrones to totter and fall,

has at last been enmeshed in the fetters of an effete civilization. He is nov doing business for a steamship compacry from the love laden atmosphere of Parnassus to the marts of American trade, and Cupid, unless he regards it as his maddest and merriest achievement, must shudder in his bondage. But this is not telling the story, is it Well, it is a story of matrimony for the masses. If you are inclined that

way, here is the opportunity of a lifetime. Not only will your honeymoon tr ip andthe minister's fee be paid for you, but in addition you will receive an annual pass good for two and the

troops is increasing, making the situation very distressing and causing increased desertions of the native solution of the marriage certificate at the office you will receive all the benefits except the golden coin. That is reserved for those who are wedded on the boat.

As "the town of easy marriage," Mil-

waukee is known far and wide, and during the summer Chicago couples are married there in big bunches. The absence of a license law in Wisconsin, a condition which is imposed by the state of Illinois, is responsible for the situation, and local ministers and civil officers make more from tying copies in the double knot of connubial bliss than they do from their salaries.

Rev. W. A. Hunsberger, of the Grand that the nominee for governor avenue Methodist church, otherwise known by the sobriquet of "the marrying parson," holds the record to date. "Whereas. The distinguished ability For several years he averaged 2,500 of Hon. Benjamin S. Baker and his ceremonies per year, and with few exceptions they were couples from Chi-cago and other Illinois towns. At one time rivalry was so great that run-tion of governor of this state. To the ners were employed by the hustlers among the clergy to make the trips and

get business on the boats. So much for the existing condition of tion, be it affairs. Now we come to the thraidom of Dan Cupid. Anticipating a decrease in matrimony this summer, owing to the fact that so many eligible young men have gone to the front in their country's service, the steamboat company has entered upon a novel plan to stimulate marriage. To twenty thou-sand young men has been sent an invitation to desert single blessedness for matrimony, with special induce-ments offered by the company.

The invitations are embellished with pictures intended to be alluring and persuasive. The first shows Chicago, with the sun coming up in the east; the next, the steamer on the lake; the third, Milwaukee; the fourth, a marriage ceremony; the fifth, the boat steaming under a low moon, and the sixth and last. Chicago lighted by a high moon. A minister will be on the boat ready for service at a moment's notice. He will carry a full supply of blank certificates and guarantees to kiss each and every

bride that he marries. That the invitations will be productive of results there is no doubt. Acceptances are reaching the offices of the company at the rate of five hundred a day, and it is confidently expected that from one to two thousand couples will be married on the boat during the cheered to enthuse him. Washington, D. C., June 30.-In the summer. So far the replies have been entirely from Chicago.

One of the letters received is from a vote of 134 to 53, and the measure will typewriter, who describes herself as 'twenty-six years old, handsome, goodbill were made by Messrs. Tarry (dem. matrimonially inclined." She offers the Ark.), De Armond (dem. Mo.) and Mc- company \$25 if it will find her a suit-Rae (dem., Ark.), and in support of able fellow to tie up to. Although this the measure by Messrs. Henderson is a line of work Superintendent Whits-(rep., Ia.), Underwood (dem., Ala.) and |ar had not anticipated going into, still, as the advance agent of Cupid, he will When the bankruptcy bill was dis- not let any chances slip, and if all persons wishing to marry a girl with all the good points stated in the description will forward their applications to Mr. Whitslar, they will be turned over to the young woman to make a selec-

Many similar letters are coming, and, and declared general opposition to the by a curious coincidence, all of the writers are apparently attractive in every way that would appeal to a man. However, if mates can be found for them, they will be married aboard the boat and receive the substantial well wishes of the company.

Facts About Powder.

The California powder mills in the San Lorenzo valley ship 20,000 pounds of powder daily to the Atlantic coast for government use.

The principal smokeless powders in use are composed of gun cotton and nitro-glycerine, either alone or in combination with other material, the function of which is to reduce the violence of action. The parts are mixed in quantities in the presence of a liquid which has a solvent action upon the gun cotton. A doughlike substance is the result. This mass is placed in a press from which it emerges squeezed into flat ribbons. After running it between rollers to obtain the proper thickness it is cut into grains and

dried. The Oregon's 13-inch rifles are charged with 550 pounds of powder, and this imparts to a 1,100-pound shot a velocity of 2.100 feet per second and the energy of the projectile is nearly 24.000 the northern coast and march across foot tons. This energy is sufficient to the country to reinforce the Cuban life the Oregon eight feet out of the army in the rear of the city of Santiwater in one minute.

Nitro-glycerine is not adapted for sporting purposes. In a shotgun its combustion is not complete, and the fumes from it give violent headaches to the shooter. Most of the cotton used in the manufacture of gun cotton comes from

Georgia. In black powder the components are charcoal, sulphur and saltpeter, the latter supplying the oxygen and prolucing combustion of the other two. Black powder and brown powder are variations of the same thing, brown being developed from the black.

Sulphur used in the powder mills comes in ship loads from Japan and Sicily, the saltpeter from India. The dust rising in some rooms of the powder mill is so inflammable that the workmen must wear wooden pegs in their shoes to avoid friction.

Some two years ago a retired officer of the French merchant service, living in the Rue d'Alesia, Paris, M. Duchesne, brought home an orangoutang from Borneo. Since growing to its full size the brute is a terror to the neighbors. Its master won't hear of its beng chained up, contenting himself with shutting the animal in his bedroom before going out. This was done re-cently, but unfortunately for him, Niclas Bargeve, alias "the Devourer," had determined to make a professional call at M. Duchesne's apartment with intent to burgle. Now as this illustrious haracter had only been three days at arge after completing his ninth term of imprisonment, he was naturally un-aware that such a pet as the orang-outang was tolerated in these particular rooms. Consequently, when the burgar was suddenly pounced upon by two

Queen Victoria is said to possess Later—Private Mapes is now in a dying condition. The engineer who was reported missing was seen to-night, but was unable to talk He received internal injuries that have received internal injuries bout the size of a two-shilling pie and have silver dials.

### THE OMAHA POLITICIANS.

BEN S. BAKER AS THEIR CAN-DIDATE FOR GOVERNOR.

But He May be Only a "Decoy Duck"--The Shrewd Workers Have Begun to Pull the Strings to Jumping Jacks.

Omaha, June 27 .- Douglas county republicans at their county convention held here Saturday evening, allowed Judge Ben S. Baker, candidate for governor, to name his delegates to the republican state convention. The old machine was thoroughly greased and it worked just as it has worked for many years.

It is one thing to indorse a candidate and it is some other thing who does it and how it is done. Evidently Ben Baker has a cinch so far as Omaha republican politicians are concerned. Immediately after the organization of the convention was completed John C. Watson, legal adviser and political promoter for Frank E. Moores, arose and proposed a resolution to allow Baker to select his own delegation to Lincoln and that Douglas county in-dorse his candidacy for nomination by the state convention. The resolution follows:

INDORSE BAKER. "Whereas, The republicans of Douglas county in convention assembled believe it to be for the best interests of the republican party in this state,

therefore, that the choice and will of this convention may be observed and carried out in the state conven-

"Resolved, By the republicans of Douglas county, in convention assem-bled, that the Hon. P njamin S. Baker be, and he is hereby, requested to select the delegation and name the chairman thereof, to represent Douglas county in the state republican convention to be held in the city of Lincoln on the 10th day of August, 1898, and said list of delegates so selected by the said Benjamin S. Baker shall constitute and be the delegation of Douglas county in said state convention; and said delegation is hereby instructed to use all honorable means to secure the nomination of the said-Benjamin S. Baker for governor of the state of Nebraska; and be it further "Resolved, That no proxies be allowed from this county in said convention, and in case of vacancies in said delegation the said Benjamin S. Baker is hereby authorized to select such republicans as he may see fit to fill such vacancies, and at such state convention the vote of all absentees, if any, shall be cast by said chairman of said Doug-

las county delegation." Wharton moved the adoption of the resolution and it carried unanimously and Ben Baker then walked right up. on invitation, to the band stand and

Big Expedition of Cubans.

Tampa, la., June 27.-The largest runette, perfectly sound and best equipped expedition of Cubans that ever left this country sailed from Port Tampa Thursday night on the steamers Florida and Fanita. The press censor has refused to allow anything to be sent out about the expedition until he was satisfied that the shins were close to the landing place, which is supposed to be Port de Banos, on the northern coast of the province of San-tiago. This is the same place where the Florida so successfully landed a large expedition one month ago. When the ships left Port Tampa they carried 600 Cubans and two troops of the Tenth

United States cavalry. General Emilio Nunez, who has superintended the departure of many filibustering expeditions from this country to Cuba, was in command of the Cuban forces. The cavalry troops were composed of colored soldiers, who have been camped at Lakeland for nearly two months. They have become acclimated and have also been thoroughly instructed in the use of the machete.

Besides the arms and ammunition for the men forming the expedition, the ships carried 15,000 rifles and 5,000,000 rounds of ammunition with which to supply the Cuban forces commanded by General Garcia. A large quantity of provisions, about 2,000 tons, was car-ried, in addition to sixty days' rations for the men forming the expedition. The provisions are for the Cuban army and any of the Cuban people that may

be in need of them. There were several thousand Cubans and Americans at Port Tampa to witness the departure, and as the ships swung out the crowd cheered and the band played "Yankee Doodle," "Dixle" and other airs. The Cuban soldiers and colored cavalrymen swarmed the ging of the vessels and answered the officers to have the men on the Florida and Fanita join the Cuban forces on

ago.

To Invade Spain. Washington, D. C., June 27 .- The war is to be carried ir o Africa, meta-phorically speaking, if Spain is foolhardy enough to send the Cadiz fleet through the Suez canal to attack Dewey in the Philippines. It is announced on good authority that before the last Spanish vessel has

passed through the canal, an American

squadron will be steaming at full

speed across the Atlantic, straight for the coast of Spain to bring the war home to the Spanish people. There is no doubt that Dewey can take care of himself against this Cadiz fleet, since his own squadron will be reinforced by ironclads long before Camara's ships sight the bay of Manila, and he will have the shore batteries with him instead of against him in the struggle. But it has been concluded by the administration that nothing save the most severe measures will suffice to bring the Spanish people to a realizing sense of the hopelessness of the continuance of the present war and even kindness, it is held, will dictate such a blow as that it is proposed to administer if the Spanish per-

sist in this last project, WARSHIPS TO SPARE. After the fall of Santiago and the capture or destruction of Cervera's squadron Sampson will have an abund-ance of vessels to spare for the task set for him. Probably he will con-stitute the attacking fleet in two stitute the attacking his squadrons, the first a flying squadrons, the first a flying squadrons to be composed of the swiftes ASS II of the fleet, such as the child his squadrons.

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