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THE CORN CROP IS SAFE

Juniter Pluvius Gets In His Work In Al Sections of the State.

A GRAND WETTING DOWN.

but Now All is Changed-Pavorab o Weather for Harvesting and Barmal ing -Corn Greatly Improved.

The showers of last week, says the last Nebraska weather crop bulletin, were exceedingly benficial to the crops of many counties, but the thing most needed by the state-a general and soaking rain-came night before last a general rain covering Colorado, Nemap insured yesterday morning should:

The following amounts of precipitation (in iches) are reported in the state: Lincoln, .72; Omaha, .58; Valentine, 1.35: North Platte, .68; Ashland, \$1; Columbus, .35; Fairbury, .19; Fairmont, .40; Hartington, .59; O'Neill .70; Tecumseh, .10; Holdrege, 1.00; Curtis, .10; Red Cloud, .28; Republican, .75; Wilsonille, .85; Arapahoe, 1.65; McCook, .69; Benkleman, Plattsmouth, 34; Imperial, 69; Rela. .10: Schuyler, .40: Aurora, .37: Grand Island, .85; Central City, .76; Patmer, 61; Greeley, .90; Burwell, 1.30; Hastings, 55; Loup, 86; Kearney 74; Nemaha. 22: Syracuse, .67: Salem, .01; Hickman, .42; Burchard, .65; Wymore, .06; Wilber, .45; Strang. .17; Superiot, 27: Edgar, 23; Bluebill, 70. In some limited localities the dry weather has shortened the crop of

corn, but this rain insures a fair vieid everywhere and a good crop in the state as a whole. The past week has been cool, with less than the normal rainfall in most of the state.

The average daily temperature deficiency ranged from four degrees in the eastern counties to about two degrees in the western. The daily maximum were below eighty degrees on the last two days.

Showers occurred in all counties, but they were generally very light, except. in the northern and extreme eastern counties, where the rainfall exceeded half an inch, and over a considerable area exceeded an inch.

The past week has been very favorable for harvesting, haymaking and directing. Harvesting is nearing completion in the northern counties. Wheat and outs are being threshed and reports indicate that wheat is yielding about the average, which is somewhat less than had been expected. Oats are yielding well but are light weight. Corn has improved in condition in the northern and extreme eastern counties, but has been injured in other

counties by the continued dry weather Union Pacific Progress. The results of the reorganization of the Union Pacific are soon to be ex-

tended to the department of motive power, says the Omaha Ree. The improvement of the track and road-bed and the purchase of several thousant new freight cars are to be followed up by the construction of ten new locomotives designed for heavy freight ser-Tite on the Wyoming division of the

The contracts for building the new engines have just been awarded. Eight of them will be built at the Brook Locemotive works at Dunkirk, N. Y. The other two are to be built by the Schenectady Locomotive works at pines because of the enormous ex-Schepectady, N. Y. The entire lot is to be built on plans furnished by the department of motive pewer and machinery in this city, and work on construction will be began at once. It is experted that they will be delivered to the Union Preific here by October 1. The contract: just given out by Pres-Scent Burt are the first for Union Pacific locomotives awarded since 1890. Between forty and fifty new engines have been added since thea, but they have been built at the Union Pacific shore in Omaha. The last outside orflor in 1890 was for new engines built by the Brooks, the Cooke, the Rogers and the Baldwin locomotive works. The contract just appounced is the first one that calls for any Scheneetody engine on the Unio: Pacific road. The Sebenectady works have been building the locomotives in use on the New York Central, the Lake Shore, the Northwestern and other Vanderbilt lines for a number of years. It is said the engines can be built more cheaply at the Schenectady works than by the Licion Pacific's own mechanical de-

particent in this city.

Soldier in a Bad Box. Kearney dispatch: A few weeks ago Jack Liebee, a Kearney boy and member of Company A. Nebraska volunteer Infantry, now at Chickamauga, came home without leave to see his folks. After being here for a few days he started to return, but when at St. Louis learned that he was not to be courtmartipled for desertion and came back to Nebraska. Yesterday he came to Kearney and was immediately trrested by Major Hoover, who happened to be here on a furlough. The officers at Chickamauga were immed ately notifled and this afternoon Major Hoover rewired word to hold Liebee until an army officer could arrive and take him to Fort Omaha, where he will be held until further orders. It is believed t here that Liebee does not realize the Thus far they have met with no reposit on he has gotter himself into and that he had no intention of doing anything wrong.

Thousands of Children

Secretary Ford of the Board of Women Managers, of the Trans-Mississipm expesition, has received the preliminary estimates of the number of children that will patronize the first of a series of boys and girls excursions that ... is proposed to organize during the next two months. The first exeursion will be from Hooper, Norfolk arm immediate points and the estimotes returned by the patronesses and school superintendents indicate that not less than 1,000 children will come if favorable railroad rates are secured. This is a very encouraging report and is taken to indicate that the idea will make a hit. The date of the first excursion and the railroad rate will announced in a few days.

Nebrosks in Washington.

Washington 'dispatch: Frank E Berman of Kearney, Neb., has been admitted to pratice as an attorney for clamants before the interior depart-

Nebraska postmasters appointed to day: Crofton, Knox county, William B Carmichael, Vice W. J. Phillips, reirned: Rich'and, Coffax county, John | the intention of leaving the peop Strbal, vice A. B. Cady, resigned.

WAR NEWS SUMMARY.

The British diplomatis at London expects to see Spain and United States Madrid advices state Spain woul rather cede one of the Philippines than Porto Rico. Cuban debt bone of con-

The British gunboat Plover, which arrived at Hosg Kong from Manila reports Dewey had not attacked the city

A Madrid dispatch says Spain will combat the cession of Porto Ricd conending that the Island has always

General Wesley Merritt and the transports and troops under his command arrived at Manila on the morning of July 25. All were well. General Merritt will at once assume com-

and early yesterday morning. It was . A telegram from Madrid to the Ena general rain covering Colorado, Ne-braska, and lows and extending south-ward to the gulf. The efficial vention received at the Spanish capital, an-

What Spain must yield is said to be independence for Cubans, cession of Porto Rico arst in the purchase of peace, and coaling stations for us at Guam, Ladrone, Caroline Islands and in the Philippines.

A panicky feeling prevails in business circles at Sanitago, owing to a fear that the Americans will turn the city over to the Chans for self government. No confidence exists owing to the uncertainty of the future.

The federal council of Switzerland, according to the assertion of several newspapers, has intimated to Don Carlos, the Spainsh pretender, now at Lucerne, that he must leave the country in case he starts an agitation with

The American cruiser in the Bay of Biscay is watching for vessels carrying contraband of war to Spanish ports. A recent dispatch vessel loaded with munitions of war from Antwerp to Bilboa caused the cruiser's

Senator Thurston, who called on the president while he was with Secretary It is stated at the White House that. temperatures exceeded ninety degrees Day, just before the cabinet meeting, on the first two days of the week, and said that the Philippine matter would be left open for future consideration, and that the only positive terms suggested would be the cession of Cuba has accepted the American conditions and Porto Rico and coaling stations and peace is assured. The rest is in the Ladrones and Carcline islands.

Monday, August 1.

Hunger is claiming many victims, rich and poor, in Havana, Spaniards have sworn to defend the Porto Rican capital to the death.

Adjutant General Woosencraft denies that Texas is short in furnishing her quota under the second call. Major General Shafter is desirous that it should be known that the United States war department has in no way interfered with the conduct of the

A panicky feeling prevails in business circles in Santiago, owing to the ear that the Americans will turn the city over to the Cubans for self-government. No confidence exists owing

o the uncertainties of the future. The plan for a grand review of the roops at Camp Alger before the president and cabinet is not likely to be executed. Announcement has been made that the review, which was to ake place next Saturday has been de-

Some of the leading members of the conservative party at Madrid question the utility of preserving the Philippense that a suppression of the insurgents would entail. El Nacional

arges their sale. The United States transport Alamo arrived at quarantine in New York. with twenty-six passengers from Santiago. The Alamo stopped at Hampion Roads on the way north, but was ordered out to sea to bury one of her assengers who had died.

The newspapers in Berlin continue to misunderstand or to misinterpret the temper of the Americans. They assert that the latter are ready for peace on almost any terms, providing Cuba is granted independence and hat the war is most unpopular.

When the American soldiers were all in the conquered city they were received by the townspeople with many evidences of good fellowsnip. Our blue-coated men were strange figares among the slip-shod and haugeylooking inhabitants of Santiago.

According to a spatch from Beslin a newspaper there purports to know that the Porto Rican colonial legislature has adopted autonomy and has resolved to protest against Amerlean occupation in the Island as a violation of the principles the United States went to war to enforce.

Tucoday, August 2.

Major General Breckenride has started for Chickamauga. Commodore Schley has written a letter in hich he takes no credit for the Santiago victory.

President McKinley will call an extra session of both houses of congress as soon as Spain accepts the terms of peace offered by the United States. The American troops have reached

sistance. The following named officers have resigned First Lieutenant Will J. Miller, battery A, First artillery, Illinois volunteers; First Lieutenant Harry C. Roat, Ninth Pennsylvania

Colonel P. H. Ray, commanding the Third regiment, United States volunteers, which has been organized at Macon, Ga., received orders to be prepared to move on a day's notice for Santiago de Cuba.

Governor Shaw of Iowa .received form Secretary Alger a letter written since Spain sued for peace, stating taat the Fifty-first Iowa regiment infantry at San Francisco will be sent to Manila as soon as transports can be

The monthly comparative statement of the government receipts and expenditures shows that during July the receipts amounted to \$43,847,108, a gain as compared with July, 1897, of \$4,827,000. The disbursements aggregated \$74,263,475, an increase of a little more than \$24,160,000.

Though Havana is still quiet-extraordinarily, omniously quiet-us a calm before a storm, there is an ever increasing feeling against the government's deceit in hiding the truth and spreading false news, apparently with the mercy of their enemies.

sixty tons, loaded with corn and provisions and bound from Progresso Mex., for Batabano, has been added t the list of war prizes. She was cap-tured by the gunboat Eagle, near Corrientes bay, a week ago yesterday, and was brought in today by Ensign

Wednesday, August 3. The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that a Carlist rising is reported at Venta de Benes,

It is reported at Madrid that two Spanish steamers forced the blockade in Cuban waters and were attacked by by the Americans.

Military measures have been taken to prevent risings in the provinces o Catalonia, Aragon and Biscay, by the Spanish authorities The third expedition of four pon-

toons and the bark Fred A. Sharp

leaves today for Santiago, to assist in raising the Cristobal Colon. The Cincinnati chamber of commerce asks President McKinley to allow comwhen disposing of the Philippine ques-

The report that the Red Cross work done in Cuba, including the conditions on the Concho, will be published in a few days, and Dr. Lesser says it will give facts without criticism. The quartermaster's department

within the next week will have a half dozen transports at Newport News to carry General Grant's brigade to reinforce General Miles in Porto Rico. The London Chronicle's Madrid cor-

condent says that the civil guard

at Madrid has been increased 1,000 recruits, and it is about to commence its marches throughout the peninsula. The government transport Uto, that arrived in this port one week ag, has left Jacksnville for Porto Rico. She carried in addition to a force of about seventy-five mechanics and nearly 600 colored laborers, about 600,000 feet of

There wills be no extra session of to be called together for prompt ratification of the treaty of reace, if the present plans of the president prevail. unless there should be some extraornot meet until it convenes in regular session next December.

A Madrid dispatch save that Spain merely a matter of detail. The queen regent and the ministers regard the war as over. The ministers held a ong session today and their conclusich was that nothing was left to them but to accept the principal conditions imposed by President cMKinley. Their only reservation was with regard to the method of putting the conditions

Thursday, August 4.

A special dispatch from Barcelona says a formal rising of Carlists has taken place near Lorida, Catalonia. The first division of the British Mediterranean fleet, consisting of fourteen

ships of war, arrived off Gibraltar. The first detachment of the Third Brigade, First Army corps, in com-mand of Brigadier General Fred D. Grant, embarked for Porto Rico.

Senor Sagast has summoned Senor Silvela, the conservative leader, and other absent politicians to Madrid in order to consult with them regarding the peace terms.

Miss Jessle Schley of Milwaukee, who left Paris about two weeks ago for Madrid, on a peace mission, has cabled her father, Charles Schley, from Lisbon, Portugal, for funds to enable

The battleship Texas was placed in the dry dock at the navy yard in New York. An examination of it shows that except for a slight dent in its keel Tortugas it is in very fair condition. President McKinley's proposal of a

joint commission to determine the fate of the Philippines is considered here each. While the amount is large, it change in party politics solely on the as giving Spain a chance for recovering partial authority there and affording an opening for intrigues among America, Great Britain and Japan. The state department has been ad-

vised by United States Consul Wildman at Hong Kong that all prisoners taken by Aguilnaldo, the insurgent chief, including monks, are "treated with perfect humanity," and that all reports to the contrary are absolutely

The approach of peace seems to induce the leading statesmen and generals to return to Madrid. Campos, Weyler, Remero, Silvela, Montero, Rios and Armijo have intimated their return at the end of the week. On the faith of such return to Madrid the press begins to prognosticate more animation in domestic politics in Spain.

Friday, August 5 The army at Santiago is to be

brought north to recuperate. Secretary of war Alger has been tendered a reception by citizens of Atlantic City, N. J. The Spanish government has char-

tered a steamer and a "ferryboat" to bring home 2,500 troops from Cuba. No Spanish reply to the modified terms have yet been received. There is much surprise thereby occasioned, as McKinley's changes were slight. General Miles learns that the mili-

Dimes have been pouring into the navy department to Secretary Long. contributed by the patriotic Americans who want to build a battleship to

replace the Maine. San Martin, the Spanish commander at Ponce, who evacuated that place without orders, is a prisoner at San Juan de Porto Rico. He will be tried for cowardice and probably will be ex-

Colonel Sanmartin, who was in command of the Spanish garrison at Ponce has been court-martialed and shot for abandoning the place without resistance. Lieutenant Colonel Piuz, the second in command, committed sui-

The navy department has received full reports of the naval operations against Manzanillo on July 18. They show that much more damage was done than is generally understood. The reports specify no less than ten Spanish vessels burned, sunk or destroyed. Stephen E. Barton, chairman of the

executive committee of the American Red Cross, received a cablegram, under date of yesterday, from Miss Clara Barton. The message conveys the information that there are sufficient supplies on hand at the Red Cross base for the present with the exception of rice, for which there is great need.

The joys extracted by a corkscrew

The Order Moving the Troops North Received in Santiago.

Regulars to Loave Pirst-Excepting the "Rengt Midery" All Voluntour Rogt-

and activity at headquarters. The six judge appointed by the United States, transports here have been ordered to was sworn into office. He was redischarge their cargoes and to get quired to swear allegiance to the ready without loss of time to take on United States as long as the island board the first shipments for home. was occupied by her troops and to Other transports are expected here "renounce all fidelity to every foreign put at rest all reports that the formal transports will soon be conveying our the queen regent and the king of this government by saying that the soldiers back to the United States. Spain."

of the Third and Sixth regular cavalry, support the constitution of the United First volunteer cavalry ("Rough manded of the Porto Ricans. Riders") will be embarked. The First brigade of General Lawton's division, under General Chaffee, will go next. These regiments have been ordered to be ready to go on board ship the day after to-morrow (Saturday). For the congress, though the senate will have present the Ninth and Tenth cavalry (both negro regiments) will remain in

The volunteer regiments will be Alger: chusetts, Second Massachusetts, Eighth Wheeler. We earnestly hope that fod fourth Michigan.

to the wharf. Others will be conveyed Very respectfully, there in warons.

The men who are suffering from

Officers of the Sedalla Bank of Commerce

New Orleans.

Make a Statement. SEDALIA, Mo., Aug. 6 -The officers of the Bank of Commerce late yesterday afternoon made the following sworn statement regarding the rob bery of their bank Monday:

"To the Public:-There have been so many rumors regarding the loss sustained by the Bank of Commerce, and said loss has been so magnified that Lincoln's opponent for the presidency we deem it necessary to make a plain in 1860, and since boyhood one of the made by striking a coral reef off Dry statement of the facts. This is to cer- fighting members of the Republican \$10,000, comprising one package of \$1,000 and eighteen packages of \$500 ital stock and if the money is not re- has written a letter which concludes covered the loss will be distributed as follows; mong stockholders only."

ANOTHER STEAMER LOST.

With an Iceberg. St. Johns, Newfoundland, Aug. 6 .-The mail steamer Virginia Lake arrived at Tilt Cove, on West Bay, 230 miles from here, at daylight, bringing certain corroboration of the reported loss of an ocean liner in the Straits of Belle Isle. A fisherman at Noddy bay reported that he had seen a steamer collide with an iceberg and sink soon after. The report is generally beable. The fisherman said that the steamer looked like a passenger ship and he could see the people trying to launch boats, but she sank before they ould do anything.

EASY FOR THE BANK ROBBERS

Michigan People Afraid to Arrest Safe Blowers Who Stole 85,000.

RICHMOND, Mich., Aug. 5 .- A successful bank robbery was carried on by six men last night. They secured tary road from Ponce is laid with about \$5,000 in cash and \$4,500 in notes Commander of Ponce Court-Martialed Coamo, about sixteen miles northeast | death dealing machines, and changes | from the Union bank. There were many people. Alvin Barnes was ordered into the house with the threat Robinson and Ed Larrett saw the robbers, but did not molest them. The glycerine having been use ..

READY TO LEAVE FOR HAWAII.

CHICAGO, Aug. 6. - The Hawaiian ommission, composed of Senator Cullum of Illinois, Senator Morgan of where they met a number of promi- an unexpectedly early date. nent Chicagoans.

Pop Cousels Internal Peace. LONDON, Aug. 6 - The Rome corremondent of the Daily Mail says: The pope is preparing an encyclical, ordering the Spanish clergy to avoid all litical strife and praising the virtues and religious fervor of the queen regent. His holiness will also send a letter to the Spanish people to be read in all the churches, praising the present dynasty and counseling the preservation of internal peace. Both aments are intended to be anti-Carlist in their influence.

JOY IN GEN. SHAFTER'S ARMY MILES CHANGES HIS PLANS. STILL NO SIGN OF A REPLY GENERAL WHEELER'S REPORT.

New York, Aug. 6.-A dispatch to

the New York Herald from Ponce says: General Miles, having received infor-mation that the fine military road from SIX TRANSPORTS ARE THERE. Ponce to San Juan has been mined by the Spaniards, has formed practically a new plan for the Porto Rican campaign. In accordance with this new plan, General Stone, with some Wisconsin troops, is pressing rapidly to-ward Arcoibo on the nerthern coast of the island and General Brooke, who SANTIAGO, Aug. 5.—Major General Shafter has received orders to move his entire army north at once. The six transports here will take the first shipments and the embarkation will begin Saturday. There is great rejoicing among the troops.

From the moment Secretary Alger's cable message was received (Thursday) ordering the instant removal of the order.

The swas a little erremony at General Harris and large and large toward San Juan from Arroyo. Heneral Miles will thus avoid fisking the lives of the convened in regular session promptly at 11 o'clock to-day. Some special significance was attached to the prescale of the saval board of strategy—Rear Admiral Steard, Commander Crowninshield and Captain Mahas.

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ordering the instant removal of the eral Wilson's headquarters yesterday

The Yale and Harvard, among others, The oath was administered by Colare understood to be on their way one! Clous, the judge advocate of General Miles' staff. This is the first time General Shafter's orders for the in the history of the United States movement of his command provide the that the judge of a foreign and hostile. following program: The embarkation but conquered country, has sworn to then the First regular cavalry and States. This was all that was de-

ROOSEVELT CALLED DOWN.

Letter to Secretary Alger Meets With Sharp Cebuka

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 .- The following correspondence has passed be-

Illinois, First District of Columbia; Mr. Secretary: I am writing with the Seventy-first New York, Nifith Massa- knowledge and approval of General Illinois, Thirty-third Michigan, Thirty: will send us-most of the regulars, and, at any rate, the cavalry division: No tenting or surplus baggage will including the rough riders, who are as be taken back to the United States. good as any regulars and three times Only the private horses of the officers as good as any state troops-to Porto will be taken. The other horses will Rico. There are 1,800 effective men in be turned over to General Wood, who this division. If those who were left will remain here as military governor. behind were joined to them, we could All the tents will be left standing, land at Porto Rico, in this cavairy and all the extra worn clothes and bed- division, close to 4,000 men, who would ding, which may possibly be infected, be worth easily any 10,000 national will be destroyed. The men able to guards armed with black powder, ride will be put on ponies and taken Springfields or other archaic weapons

. THEODORE ROOSEVELT. The following reply was cabled to rellow fever or infectious diseases will Colonel Roosevelt: Your letter of 23d is received. The regular army, the Captain McKittrick and Dr. Good- volunteer army and the rough riders fellow of General Shafter's staff left have done well, but I suggest that, here this afternoon by the Berlin for unless you want to spoil the effects and glory of your victory, you make no invidious comparisons. The rough THE ROBBERS GOT \$10,000, riders are no better than other volunteers. They have an advantage in their arms, for which they ought to be very grateful. R. A. ALGER,

JOINS THE DEMOCRACY.

Secretary of War,

Stephen A. Douglas Returns to

Party of His Famous Father. CHICAGO, Aug. 6 .- Stephen A. Douglas, son of the statesman who was tify that the exact amount stolen was party and at times a part of the Republican machine, became a Democrat yesterday. Mr. Douglas bases his constitutes but 10 per cent of our cap- issues between the two parties. He

"All my life my sympathies have been with the people, having been taught this by the two men I honor above all others-my father and Mr. Lincoln-and to-day I believe my proper place is in the Democratio party and there I shall abide."

BRITAIN GROWLS AT RUSSIA

The Chinese Question Causes a New

Upeasiness in London. LONDON, Aug. 6.-There is great uncasiness on all sides here in view of the Chinese situation, which is relieved, but nothing reliable is obtain- garded as bringing an open conflict between Great Britain and Russia within measureable distance, and it is universally feit that the Marquis of Salisbury's lack of backbone in vielding to Russian aggressiveness is responsible for the dangerous complication which can only be overcome by the prompt and most firm intimation that Russia's open opposition to British commercial concessions must cease.

KILLED FOR NOT FIGHTING.

and Shot-Next in Command a Suicide. patch from San Juan de Porto Rico sars that Colonel Sanmartin, who was that they would shoot him. George in command of the Spanish garrison at Ponce, has been court-martialed and shot for abandoning the place without safe was a complete wreck, nitro resistance. Lieutenant Colonel Puiz, the second in command, committed

MINTS OF INDIA TO REOPEN.

London Advices Indicate Silver Coinage

DESVER. Col., Aug. 6.-A special Alabama, and Representative Hitt of from Washington, D. C., says: In-Illinois, met here yesterday and held formation has been received from Loninformal talks with a number of busi- don through private channels to the ness men. They were given luncheon effect that the Indian mint; are to be by the Hon. Alexander H. Revell, reopened to free coinnge and the aspresident of the Union League club, sertion is made that this will occur at

Cerrers to Visit Fort Monroe. sels burned, sunk or destroyed. BAIRTMORE, Md., Aug. 6 -- Admiral

Cervera, accompanied by his son, Lieutenant Cerrera, who have been prisers of war at the naval academy at napolis for several weeks, passed ough Baltimore yesterday en route for Fort Monroe, Norfolk and Newport News. The admiral received special permission from the navy department to go to Fort Monroe to visit Spanish officers who are under medical treatment there. He may extend his visit to New York.

Secretary of State Day Does Not Know When Spain Will Answer.

SPANIARDS NEVER DREAMT IT.

deat McKinley's Conditions.

though it had been expected that this session of the estinet might have the opportunity of considering the formal Spanish note of acceptance, Secretary Day, in entering the cabinet room, shortly and it is expected that eighteen prince or potentate, and particularly answer might be in the possession of

> government. MADRID, Aug. 5.—The conferences between the political leaders upon the subject of peace terms continue. Senor Silvela, the Conservative leader, acting n behalf of Senor Castelar, the Republican leader, who was prevented by illness from being present, has conferred with the premier, Senor Sagasta, upon the subject. He said Senor Casterlar, although an advocate of peace, was of the opinion that in negotiating its conclusion, the goverdment "should remember the Virginius affair, when the energy displayed by Spain in dealing with the United States saved Spanish interests, and he thought

Senor Silvels added that he personally did not favor any change of policy. The Liberal, Moderate Republican. publishes an interview to-day with Marshal Martinez de Campos, who is quoted as saying: "I openly favor dead and carry the wounded back in peace. Everything that has happened in this war could have been foreseen, that reinforcements would soon reach us and Marshal Martinez de Campos, who is in this war could have been foreseen, but the most peesimistic could never have imagined that our misfortunes would be so great-the destruction of Montejo's and Cervera's squadron's, the surrender of Santiago and the rapid and unresisted occupation of Porto Rico. No one could have imagined it, even taking into consideration the superiority of the United States

"Neither the present government nor any other can change our situation. It would be madness to think of rejecting President McKinley's conditions. The Liberal party can bring about peace, but Sagasta should not be asked to sign it. Such a course would not be prudent and another Liberal cabinet should be constructed."

SCANT HONOR TO BISMARCK Berlin's Public Funeral Was a Sad Dis-

BERLIN, Aug. 6 .- Yesterday's coronony was brilliant and impressive as regards court display, but quite disappointing in other respects. It bore traces of haste and half-heartedness. The church was inadequately decorated and the public displayed no enhusiasm in the ceremonial, which, so far from having the exceptional charecter of great national mourning for s nation's greatest statesman, differed hardly any from hundreds of similar

functions that may be witnessed here at any time. Perhaps the most disappointing feaure, though it was known beforehand, was the fact that not a single nember of the Bismarck family atended. The royal pew, set apart for their accommodation, remained conpicuously and significantly empty. t must be admitted that the deceased statesman was not altogether popular with the masses in Berlin, but on such an occasion this alone could hardly account for the sparseness and nonde-

script character of the public attracted o the scene. The bitterness of the old chancellor

oward the young kaiser seems to reach eyond death. The American ambassador, Mr. Andrew D. White, and the Spanish ambassador, Senor Mendez de Vigo, arrived almost together and sat side by side. The absence of all well known adherents of the Bismarcks was most noted, especially as many of them came up to Berlin immediately after the death, presumably to confer on the attitude they would observe.

AN OFFICER DEAD IN PONCE.

Captain Hubert, Eighth Infantry, Had Sees Eighteen Years of Service. WASHINGTON, Aug. 6. - Adjutant General Corbin to-day received the following cablegram: "Captain Edgar Hubert, Eighth infantry, died of brain fever at 7 o'clock last night. Notify his wife at Fort Russell.-Gilmore."

Captain Hubert was born in Georgia and appointed to West Point from that state. He was graduated in 1880 from the military academy. He was highly accomplished in military matters and was regarded as one of the most intelligent and energetic officers in the

TEN VESSELS WERE JUNK.

Importance Than Reported. WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—The navy department has received full reports of the naval operations against Manzanillo on July 18. They show that much more damage was done than is generally understood. The reports specify no fewer than ten Spanish ves-

NEW YORK, Aug. c.- The benefit of the New York Soldiers' and Sailors' Families' Protective association held last night at 'the Metropolitan opera house, was more in the nature of a reception to Lieutenant Hobson, Minister to Spain Woodford and Captain Philip, of the Texas, than a benefit. The opera house was jammed with people, almost 5,000 being present.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—The following is the report of Major General Joseph Wheeler upon the operations before Santiago de Cubs:

before Santiago de Cuba:

BEFORE SASTIAGO, Cuba, July 7, 184.—To
Adjainat General Fifth Army Corps.—Gir:
After the engagement of June 3t. I pushed farward my command through the valley, Lawthe's and Kent's comman's occupying the
hills is the vicinity of that place. After two
days' rest Lewton was ordered a rward, and
the night of the 2th instructions ('ere given
by Major General Stantor to this officer to
attack Caney, while the savalry division and
Kent's division were ordered to more torward
on the regular Santiago read. The movement
temmented the marning of July 1. The cavfify division advanced and formed its line with
its left few the Santiago read, while Kent's
division formed its fine with the right joining
the left of the cavalry division.

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Colonel McCleraari of General Shafter's staff directed me to give instructions to General Meut, which I compiled with in person, at the same time personally directing General Summer to move forward. The men were all compelled to wade the San Juan river to get into line. This was done under heavy fine of both infrastry and artillery. Our balloon having had ment up sinte by the cases. It was consider the we were in first to under fire in forming the line as we would be by me advance, and I therefore as we would be by an advance, and I therefore pressed the command forward from the covering under which it was formed. Issuerged into open space in full view of the enemy, who ocespied breastworks and patteries on the creat of the Mil which overlooks Santings Officer and men fell at every step. The truops ad-tanced gallantly, soon reached the foot of hill and ascended, driving the enemy from their works and occupying them on the crest of the hill. To accomplish this required courage and determination upon the part of the officers and men of a high order, and the losses were very severs. Too much credit cannot be given to General Subsper and General Kent and their gallant brigade commanders, Colonel Wood and Colonel Carroll of the cavalry; General Hamflion S. Hawkind, commanding the First brigade, Kent's division, and Colonel Pearson, comffinding the Second brigade. Colonel Carroll and Major Wessells were enabled to return and resume command. General Wyckoff, commanding Kent's Third brigade, was killed at 12:10; Lieutenant Colonet Worth took command and was wounded at 13:15; Lieutenant Colonel Liscum then took command and was wounded at 12:20, and the command then de-volved upon Lieutenant Colonel Ewers, Ninth

Upon reaching the crest, I ordered breast tween Colonel Roosevelt and Secretary effort should be made to pre-serve Spanish sovereignty over Porto but our new were so thoroughly exhausted that Rico."

Saxtiago, July 23, 1898.—My Dear Rico." San Juan river; they had become drenched with rain and when they reached the crest they were abso'utely unable to proceed further. Notwithstanding this condition these exhausted men labore I during the night to cree that Lawton would join our right and that General Bates would come up and strengthen our left. After reaching the crest of the ridge General Kent sent the Thirteenth fegulars to assist in strengthening our and I placed him in a strong position on the left of our line. General Lawton had attempt ed to join un from Caney, but when very near our lines he was fired upon by the Spasiards and turned back, but joined us next day at noon by a circuitous route. During all the day on July 2, the eavalry division, Hent's division and Bates' brigade were engaged with the enring many casualties, and later in the day Lawton's division also became engaged. During the entire engagement my staff per-

formed their duties with courage and ability. FOR A SAMOAN NAVAL BASE.

Valuable Harbor.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.-The President has decided to make practical use of American rights at Pago-Pago harbor, Samoa, and the establishment of a fully equipped naval coaling station there will be undertaken at once. With this end in view Frank P. Chambers, civil engineer, now on duty at the New York pavy yard, has been ordered to ington for consultation with the authorities prior to departing next week with full power to carry out the important project. Pago-Pago is the only harbor of any value in the Samoan group and the one considered by naval officers of scarcely less strategic Importance in the Pacific ocean than Pearl harbor, Hawaii. The decision to utilize the concession secured by Admiral Meade twenty-five years ago, giving the United States permanent 6wnership of the harbor, indicates sufficiently the administration's appreciation of the vastly extended sphere of American interests in the Pacific It is the inauguration of a great naval and commercial policy in that direc tion due in great measure to the responsibilities incurred in Asiatio

SAGASTA OBJECTS TO HASTE

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spondent of the Times says: "Though peace is regarded as assured, it may not beattained so quickly as is generally expected. Senor Sagasta objects to being hustled and insists upon everything being done in a quiet, orderly and dignified manner. He considers it pecessary to have full and satisfactory explanations as to all doubtful points, in order to enable him best to protect the national interests against the aggressive tendencies

of the Washington cabinet. "He has to examine very miantely the exigencies of the internal situation and home polities, so as to avoid popular dissatisfaction and political unrest. The Spanish people, though sincerely desirous of paace, are disposed to admire this hesitancy and tenacious holding out till the last, although aware that it implies greater sacrifices.

IT GOES TO DOUGHERTY.

Clay County Man Will Succeed Docker in Congress.

RICHMOND, Mo., Aug. 6:- John L Dougherty of Clay county was nominated for Congress by the Democrats of the Third district vesterday on the 419th ballot. The nomination of a Congressional

means that Mr. Dock ry is an active candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in 1900, and will make an aggressive campaiga from now on. Will Get No Prize Money.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 .- The attorney general has decided that the officers and crew of the United States steamship Hawk, which was assisted by the Castine on the night of July 4 in destroying the Spanish steamer Alfonso XII., near Havana, are not entitled to prize money, inasmuch as they neither captured nor obtained posses the vessei. The cargo of the Alfonso XII. was destroyed by the Spaniards to prevent its falling into American

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