

BULLETS IN BATTLE.

An Old Soldier Tells How It Feels to Be Shot.

The old soldier, with a hot toddy before him, was communicative. "How did you feel when you went into your first fight?" the reporter inquired, as most people do when they begin to ask a soldier questions about his experiences.

"I felt as though there were a million places in the world I'd rather be than where I then was," was the frank response.

"Were you afraid?" "Of course I was. I knew those fellows shooting at us weren't doing it for their health or for ours, either, and I knew enough about guns to know that they were dangerous."

"But you overcame your fear as the fight progressed?" "Anyhow, I didn't mind it so much. After awhile I got mad, and then I forgot about myself and wanted to lick the entire army against us."

"Did you ever get shot?" "Once only, and it was queer about that. You read stories in the papers about how it feels to be shot, and I suppose they are correct, for every man has a different way of taking his cold lead. I've seen men shot square in the forehead, stand for an instant as if turned into stone and then drop without ever bending a joint. Some I've seen run screaming away and fall dead with the scream on their lips. I've seen some grab and clutch at themselves and spin around as if they had been hit with a club and didn't know what the matter was; some drop quietly and say nothing about it; some jump high in the air and fall stiff as poker, and so on through a list of them, no two alike."

"In my own case, I was fighting in the woods in a skirmish in Virginia on a terrific hot day. It was lively in there, I can tell you, and I wasn't thinking about myself at all. We had started on a run through an open space after the Johnnies, and just as we slowed down—when we saw they had got too close to the main body for us to go after them—I began to feel sick and weak and told the man next to me that I thought I must be sunstruck. He began to say something, and everything grew dark. The next I knew I was in a hospital with a hole through my chest. When I got it or how, I never knew, but it couldn't have been more than ten minutes before I collapsed, because a man couldn't stand up long with that kind of a ventilator in his bosom."—Washington Star.

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IN A SHADY NOOK.



AN ARSENAL IN THE CLOUDS.

A War Airship Which Is Being Constructed for Cuban Service.

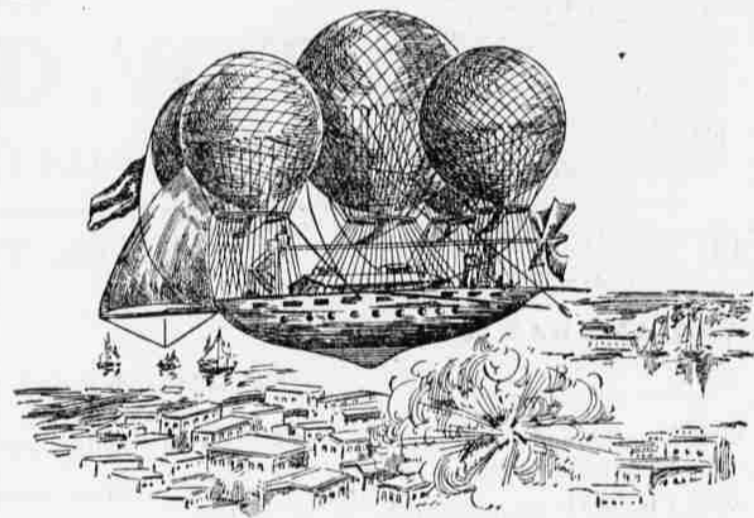
Cuba is going to fight the Spaniards from the clouds. In a secluded grove in Florida a French engineer now has under construction an airship which is to be placed in the Cuban service. It will carry 125 men, 1,000 rifles, a half million rounds of rifle ammunition and dynamite shells. The airship is one of the most remarkable things of its kind ever conceived by an aeronaut. Its chief feature, which excites the greatest wonder, is its extreme lightness considering its tremendous strength. The airship consists of a boat-shaped car that does not swing, but is held solidly, though pendant, from a cluster of five balloons.

These balloons are held steadily in place by five aluminum belts, which go around the girths of the balloons and are connected at the points of contact by easy working ball-bearing joints, so that there can be no strain, and each belt can give gently one way or the other, as the balloon it holds

the operator can ride far above the earth, out of reach of the longest range guns known to military science, he can bring the enemy's camp close to his range of vision and can throw dynamite bombs down upon his adversaries with remarkable precision.

Corner in Huckleberries.

The huckleberry industry about Audenried has come to a sudden stop through the appearance of two bears on the mountains. A week ago a traveler exhibited two performing bears on the street and while doing so the animals engaged in a bout not on the bills. In the scrimmage the trainer was used up badly and one of the muzzles torn from a bear. Finding themselves at liberty, the bears trotted off and reached the mountains safely. The huckleberry season having just opened, hundreds of boys and girls who pick the berries have since been kept out of the woods through fear. The mines being idle, the villagers one day turned out to scour the woods for berries and bears. A party of women came upon them unexpectedly, and their screams soon



AN AIRSHIP TO DO BATTLE FOR CUBA.

might sway, without getting away from its mate. In this way the balloons are always manageable.

Besides the system of network which surrounds the balloons and which holds them attached to the car there are aluminum braces securing the belts or girths to the car below. These braces are also the stays for the sails forward and at the sides for steering purposes. The principle upon which this wonderful airship is steered is the same which governs the sailing of a yacht. A series of uprights over the car and just under the lower valves of the balloons sustains a shaft, which is revolved by electricity, and turns an immense fan, or screw at the rear of the ship, which acts as an air rudder as well as a propeller. Every piece of metal in the entire construction of this greyhound of the air is of aluminum.

There are pine windows on each side, something more than ten feet apart. A series of long, narrow openings, closed with aluminum bars, run around the upper guard which incloses the upper deck of the boat.

This marvelous air coach is provided with comfortable accommodations for 125 men. There is an electrical engine room, an electrical kitchen, and bedrooms, smoking-room and an observatory. The vessel is lighted, heated and worked by electricity. Water is taken from the clouds, and not a spark of fire is used in working this monstrous air ship. The balloon valves are operated by a system of electric buttons, and there is no confusion of ropes or lines. The observatory is provided with powerful glasses, and while

alarmed scores of others, resulting in a stampede. The bears are now boss of the situation and berry-picking in that vicinity is at a standstill.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

A Back Biter.



Stranger—Is the submarine diver at home? The diver's wife—He's down at the river, but I don't think you can see him this morning. Stranger—Why not? The diver's wife—He's immersed in business.—Port Jervis Gazette.

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