

It is worthy of note that Lieutenant Hobson is a young man of genuine religious devotion. Just prior to starting on his hazardous trip with the Merrimac he wrote his will and mailed it to his parents at Greensboro, Ala. The opening clauses of this will read thus: "For my near and distant future I leave myself, without anxiety, in the hands of the Almighty God." It is also stated that as he started with the ship he sought divine guidance in the accomplishment of his undertaking. Surely under the circumstances such conduct cannot be classed as mere sentiment, but rather as indicative of deep religious conviction. His example, therefore, should prove an inspiration to young men desirous of attaining true success in life and courage to calmly face death.

Perhaps the decision to put Gen. Miles in command of the Porto Rico army was the way that Secretary Alger took to get him out of the way. If he accompanies the army to Porto Rico, he must necessarily relinquish all other commands, for the time. Still, Secretary Alger denied the report that Miles had been deposed from command of the army.

That labor commission bill, recently passed by Congress, will be good or bad, according to the character of the men who are chosen for commissioners. The commission is to be composed of five Senators, five Representatives, and nine outsiders representing all branches of industry. Its duty will be to recommend legislation to Congress.

John Sherman has gone on a summer jaunt to Alaska. He could not do a great deal of the suffering and distress he has brought upon the human family if he would only extend his visit to the Philippines and thereby give our soldiers the benefit of an Arctic climate while they are upholding the flag of their country at the equator, says an exchange.

There might be circumstances that would cause the people of this country to approve alliance with some European nation, although we have our doubts, but it is certain that they would never approve an alliance with Asia; therefore Japan is wasting time hinting at an alliance with us.

If the commander of the German fleet at Manila attempts to monkey with Dewey's plans he will find his ships going the same way the Spanish fleet went, and from the same cause—American shot and shell.

It is sincerely to be hoped that the little army now in Cuba will not be handicapped by orders from Washington. Let Gen. Shafter go ahead, do some fighting, and take Santiago.

You can't catch Chauncey Depew, no matter what sort of bait you use. He charges the marked discrepancy between his talk in Paris and in London to "inaccurate reporting."

Winning victories is an American specialty, not confined to either branch of the service, nor to any particular place. Shafter's brave men win as easily in Cuba as Dewey's did in Manila Bay.

The war doesn't seem to have loosened Boss Hanna's grip on the republican machine in Ohio; nor to have increased his respect for Gov. Bushnell, who first put him in the Senate.

The Senate is now wrestling with the resolution for the annexation of Hawaii. About thirty Senators are lined in opposition

determined to prevent a vote, if they can.

Oh no! there is no politics in this war, but we notice that the republicans are relying on the war to keep them in control of the House, and to give them control of the Senate.

Admiral Sampson thinks more of the aid rendered by the Cuban insurgents than do some of our editors; Sampson has had the best opportunity to form a correct opinion.

In declaring their independence before the arrival of our soldiers, the Philippine insurgents appear to have intended to put in a bid to be left in control of the islands.

Santiago de Cuba is the second oldest city in America, being only eighteen years younger than the oldest, Santo Domingo, which was founded by Columbus.

The men who know the intentions of the European governments towards each other, are being badly overworked and underpaid.

Blanco says he knows all the war plans of this government. If he does, he knows a darn sight more than anybody over here knows.

Brutal as the Spaniards are, they will not dare to harm Hobson or any of his gallant companions; the day of reckoning is too near.

The Cadiz fleet finds it necessary to call at ports so often that the suspicion of its inability to make a long voyage is growing.

Dady Leiter would have found it much cheaper to have given "Joe" a commission in the volunteer army.

Latest War News.

On Board the Associated Press Boat Dandy, Juragua, Saturday, via Kingston, Jamaica, Sunday, June 16 3:30 p. m.—(Copyrighted 1898 by the Associated Press).

The troops of the United States and Spain are nearly face to face and less than four miles apart. Tonight the picket lines at certain points are within hailing distance of the enemy. It seems certain that the battle of Santiago must come within a week.

The troops are all ashore and are here at Baiquiri, with the exception of a few scattered companies that have gone forward.

The supplies are sufficient to enable the army to sustain a week's campaign at both landing points and it is believed the required supplies will be ashore by Tuesday. General Shafter said to a correspondent of the Associated Press today:

"I am satisfied with the progress that is being made. I only await the landing of sufficient supplies to begin the movement on Santiago. I am unable to say when it will take place.

General Wheeler in his official reports places the number of dead in the engagement at Savilla at 22 and the injured between 70 and 80.

The majority of the American troops are now here or at the front in the vicinity of Savilla. The force at the latter place, which is about nine miles from Santiago numbers 6000 Americans 1500 Cubans. From the American position at Savilla, Santiago is plainly visible and the fortifications can be seen.

BOB EVANS REPORTED KILLED.

Chicago, June 26.—A cablegram from London to the Tribune says: The Daily Mail's special from Kingston says: The latest advices from Santiago state that the bombardment by Americans was unsuccessful. It extends 20 miles along the coast and lasted for several hours.

The Americans reported two

Spanish torpedo boats damaged and the Reina Mercedes sunk in the harbor.

The Iowa got close under the forts and received a shell from the Vizcaya which killed the captain, Fighting Bob Evans, and several sailors, and demolished the tower.

WILL BURN THE TOWN.

A dispatch dated at Kingston, Jamaica, June 26, says: The general opinion among naval experts is that Santiago town will be burned by the Spaniards before they surrender, and Admiral Cervera will destroy his ships and that he will then submit to the enemy. If this supposition is correct the whole work should be accomplished in a week.

Circuit Court.

Circuit Judge Clifford held an adjourned term of the circuit court here the first of the week and disposed of the following cases:

CRIMINAL.

State of Oregon vs R. J. Baker and Martha Baker writ of habeas corpus. Writ dismissed.

LAW.

French-Glenn Live Stock Co. vs Harney county road of public easement of E. L. Oliver. Cause argued. Taken under advisement to be decided in vacation with the same force and effect as of this term of court.

French-Glenn Live Stock Co. vs Harney county, meandering road. Same as above.

French-Glenn Live Stock Co. vs Harney County et al, Wm. Dunn road, same as above.

Fred Haines vs town of Harney. Judgment for \$950, and interest from May 2, 1893, at 8 per cent.

EQUITY.

Nannie Byerley vs M. A. Byerley, divorce. Ordered that debt pay to the clerk of this court \$50 for use of plaintiff and her attorney before taking testimony. Referred to G. W. Hayes to report law and facts by next term of this court.

Peter French vs Alejandro Montejó, confirmation of sale continued for the term.

County Court.

An adjourned term of the county court was held last Monday for the purpose of disposing of some unfinished business before the old board went out of office. The following proceedings were taken from the journal:

The warrant drawn in favor of King & Saxton for \$200 was canceled as it should have been \$200.

Warrant No. 59 class "G" drawn for the purpose of conveying Laura Hackman to the deaf and mute school at Salem was cancelled, it appearing said warrant was not used for that purpose.

The personal effects of the estate of J. P. Holmes were disposed of and turned into the general fund of the county.

Additional Locals.

Ray Smith has rented Walt Huston's ranch.

We hope to see a large crowd in Burns to celebrate the 4th.

Chas. Cronin, foreman and "bronco buster" (?) of the Island ranch, was in town this week.

We have ordered a little windy weather for the 4th for fear it will be too warm for us to enjoy ourselves.

Our citizens should be careful to see there is no trash scattered about their premises the 4th. The small boys and fire crackers will be in evidence everywhere.

As a general thing Joe Barnes is prompt and on time with freight, but he is several days behind schedule time this trip and his friends are at a loss to account for it.

Although all good citizens are in favor of prosecuting the war with Spain vigorously and unrelentingly, still they realize that the great national question fought in 1896 cannot be lost sight of. They know that until monetary reform by restoring silver is consummated, no prosperity can be enjoyed in these United States.

The delinquent tax roll for 1897 taxes has just been completed by Sheriff McKinnon and returned to the Clerk. The roll is unusually small, there being only \$2805.26 of unpaid taxes for 1897. Mr. McKinnon is preparing to collect up all delinquent taxes due the county, not only on the 1897 roll, but on the delinquent rolls of 1896-97-98 and '92.

THE NEW STORE! R. A. MILLER & CO. BURNS, OREGON. ALL NEW GOODS. We Carry a Complete Line of General Merchandise GROCERIES & PROVISIONS, BOOTS & SHOES, ROPE, TOBACCO, etc. Call and inspect our Stock. Satisfaction as to quality and price guaranteed. Our Goods are First Class, and will be sold at Prices as low as any in Harney County. We invite the People to Examine our Stock and Prices before Purchasing Elsewhere. Mail orders receive prompt attention.

THE CAPITAL SALOON, TRISCH & DONEGAN, Proprietors. Burns, Oregon.

BURNS HOTEL. BURNS, OREGON. McCLAIN & WILLIAMS, Proprietors. The proprietors of this large and commodious House are experienced hotel keepers and the public is assured good accommodations. All Treated Alike. Table Service the Best. Parties desiring regular board are requested to consult the Landlord.

The "STAR" Saloon, R. C. ANGEVINE, Proprietor. First Class. CHOICE WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS. FINE BILLIARD AND POOL TABLES. COMFORTABLE CLUB ROOMS. Old Robinson Building.

NERVE SEED. This famous remedy cures quickly, permanently all nervous debility, loss of memory, loss of brain power, indigestion, constipation, loss of vitality, night sweats, etc. It is a powerful tonic and restorative, and is sold in bottles of 50 cents and \$1.00. Sold by all druggists.

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D. PRICE'S Cream Baking Powder. Used in Millions of Homes—40 Years the Standard.

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