

ALGER HAS GOT THE CUBAN TRIP, BUT HE DIDN'T CARRY ANY DEMOCRATIC SENATORS OR REPRESENTATIVES WITH HIM.

When it comes to warm things a New York hotel fire isn't in the same class with a Chicago municipal campaign.

The democratic party would better lose than to win by juggling with its principles, as some are now advocating.

According to the cable news, Gen. Wheaton's "flying brigade" is using the Stonewall Jackson method of fighting the Filipinos.

It was fitting that the republican big three—Hanna, McKinley and Reed—should meet for conference on Jekyll Island, which is known as "the millionaire's resort."

The democratic party has got along for more than a century without a national boss, and it is going to continue getting without one, notwithstanding the machinations of the would-be boss.

If you are contemplating any improvement on your real estate in Burns don't let the bond question bother you in the least. We are not going to have any bonds until it's necessary.

While Boss Hanna is down South fixing national slates the anti-Hanna republicans in Ohio are compounding a nauseous dose for him. It is always well to fix them for the rest of the world.

To accept the theory that the awful hotel fire in New York, was the work of thieves, it is necessary to believe that human depravity in that town is deeper than it is painted in the darkest pages of fiction.

The county court would be commended in its action if it would extend the time to May 1st before taxes become delinquent. This would give our stockmen ample time to realize from their spring sales.

It is to be hoped that bloody Sunday riots, like the one that occurred last Sunday, are not to become a regular feature of our rule in Havana. They are more brutal and more dangerous than Spanish bull fights.

It is now charged that the attempt to smirch the army record of "Fighting Joe" Wheeler originated with friends of the administration who feared that Gen. Wheeler's popularity might get him on a presidential ticket. Wherever it originated, it was a failure as it deserved to be.

Enough evidence has already been taken by the Military Court of Inquiry to convince the country that Gen. Miles was right when he charged that meat unfit for use was issued. What the country desires now is the punishment of those who bought and those who sold that bad meat, but political "pull" will probably save these brutes in human shape.

The Washington correspondent to the Portland Oregonian in a recent issue of that paper, says: Dreyfus will not come to the United States very soon, not until the delegates have been elected to the national convention. No heroes are wanted who will set the country wild and might drive a nomination in spite of themselves. Schley, who is popular with the public, is kept on waiting orders where he "cannot get distinguish himself any fur-

ther. Sampson, who is exploited, is not a popular hero. Miles has been kept in the background as much as possible and no dangerous competitors for president who hold commissions in the army or navy will be allowed to get any further to the front or receive the plaudits of the people.

Although it is quite early in the season, cattle buyers are numerous in Burns at this time. There does not seem to be any movement yet, however, as the buyers have one price and our stock men another.

When Aguinaldo's chief advisers disagree with him he settles the matter and avoids any chance of further unpleasantness by chopping their heads off. If President McKinley thinks it worth while to try any experiments along the line suggested, many kindly minded people will hope he may make a beginning very high up in the war department.

Did McKinley Kotow to Czar Reed, or did the Czar Kotow to McKinley?

Brother Wanamaker has doubts about the purchasing power of money in Pennsylvania politics.

Tammany Hall doesn't control a single electoral vote, yet it seeks to control the democratic party.

What a pity Mr. McKinley did not get the Canadians to kidnap and keep Secretary Alger, while visiting them.

A life saving apparatus that will really save is one of the pressing needs of every hotel, and it is yet to be invented.

March seems to be envious of the storm record made by February, and to be trying to beat it in fatalities, at least.

Tom Sloan, the American horse jockey, has returned to London and resumed his chummy relations with the English nobility.

Cuban bandits are becoming very bold in their operation's in several sections of the island. Present conditions on the island are conducive to that sort of thing.

If the Military Court of Inquiry really wishes further evidence in that direction, it should summon the agent of Armour & Co., who told the regimental commissary sergeant that the beef had been treated with "preservative."

Before Gen. Grosvenor fires another broadside at the Civil Service Commission and its humbuggery he should study the "flank" he made, under white house orders, when he was pretending to lead a fight against the Commission, in the last congress.

It seems strange but none of those who have been shouting themselves hoarse over an Anglo-American alliance have dared to question the positive assertion of Ambassador Choate that Great Britain and the U. S. would always be rivals. There are some things too true to be questioned and this is one of them.

LETTER FROM CAYITE.

J. E. Loggan Describes the Battle in a Letter to his Father.

The following letter was received recently by J. H. Loggan of Harney, and who kindly sent it to us for publication: Cayite, P. I., Feb. 25th, '09. Mr. J. H. Loggan, Dear parents—I will write to you today keeping time with the awful shots of the Manadook. The battle of Manila is on and has been since 10 o'clock last night. Dave and I were on guard, just come off at 9 this morning, so we heard it from start until now—and God only knows when it will end.

There has been no fighting here yet, but we expect it any minute; almost sure to come this afternoon some time. 12 o'clock: It has been an awful battle as the Insurgents are as thick as bees. We have heard all kinds of rumors as to the loss, some say 20 officers and 100 men killed and wounded, others place it at five times as many.

The fight was with the land forces until morning, when Dewey turned the war dogs loose on them. Then ye Gods! It was a rear that cannot be told, only experienced to know what it is.

Manila is on fire, but we are pretty sure the Filipinos have retreated some 3 or four miles. More anon.

6th, well the battle closed yesterday evening at 4 o'clock by the Filipinos raising the white flag, some say to bury the dead, others that it is for peace negotiation—but you will probably know the result before we do as the reports here are so many and so exaggerated. Everything is quiet so far, but expect to begin at any minute. I tell you, father, it was something grand to see the battle! We had a fine view of it all—that is, the naval part. You could see the shells when they started (or the smoke rather) and in a few seconds could see it burst; then hear the report as if distant thunder, as near as I can describe it, by that time we could see the fire starting where the shells burst, and let us even times we could hear the roll of musketry and land batteries.

1 o'clock: Firing has again started near Manila. 6 o'clock: Ceased. Feb 7th: Well another night has passed quietly here, although occasional firing was heard all night near Manila. They are driving the Filipinos slowly back, but the narrative you will hear before you receive this letter. We are expecting to go and get them any time, they are massing their forces near us.

Oh yes: Two of our boys went over into the Insurgent lines about a week before the trouble started and the Insurgents arrested them for spies, so they claimed, but promised our captain they would turn them loose, but instead they took their shoes off and marched them 60 miles double quick time, changing guards every few miles. We have given up all hopes of seeing them again; Indian treachery is gentlemanly compared with these people.

Feb 8: Still quiet here. Dave and I go on guard today. Heavy firing north of Manila last night at 8 o'clock from the Charlston, have not heard anything from there. Could see some big fires like towns burning—the boys are burning everything.

It has been almost impossible to hold the boys here. They will not put any of this troop on the out post for fear we will start the ball rolling for revenge for the two boys they have of our troop.

10th: Well, we are up against the real thing. On the evening of the 8th Dewey gave the Insurgents until 9 o'clock the 9th to surrender San Roque or he would bombard the town. The next morning they raised the white flag and asked for more time. It was refused. They immediately set fire to the town and fled. Then such sights! We immediately made a rush for them but did not get them. Some more fortunate than I got some valuable plunder, although Dave and I have a few relics. We have not had our clothes off for five nights. Last night we slept in the trenches and today are still there waiting for orders to advance.

There was one Filipino sent to us—I or Heaven by one of the Nevada Cavalry.

We are both well and feeling fine. Will write again in a few days, we just received a letter from you today. Write soon to J. E. and D. M. Loggan.

An Indian Letter.

Below we give a portion of a letter written by a Puget Indian who is attending school on the Warm Springs reservation. It is written in a fine Spencerian hand: Warm Springs Agency, Crook County, Oregon, March 14 1899. My Dear Uncle, Mr. Perry Parker, Burns County, Oregon. I received your letter on the third of March and we are sorry to

hear from you. And your Brother says that he sorry to hear from you because your baby died. And he say that when a parson child dies it will make parson fill pretty bad for two weeks or three weeks, and then you fill all right after that and your Mother and your Sisters and Nephew the are all well and you and your father in law ask me about this Puget how the getting along will the are not very will fill tell you who is sick that is old Man Stain is sick and he is dead Now this afternoon, and your Nephew Frank Weesva he is sick to I think he fill get well. And all the rest are all well and the are working on their land, that is plowing.

Additional Locals.

"The Private Secretary" Friday night.

Jorgensen is still in business at the old stand, where you can get jewelry and watch repairing done or have your photograph taken.

Dr. Marsden has the lumber on the ground and carpenters will begin immediately to build an addition to his office. He will add an operating room 14x16, a reception room and a small laboratory.

Eugene Boone who has been attending the Marion Sims Medical school in St. Louis, Mo. since last has returned. We have not seen the worthy gentleman as yet, he having given this office a "wide berth."

James Stephens, brother of Thos Stephens arrived here last week from Arlington. Mr Stephens has purchased the Burns hotel and will henceforth be a resident of our city. The business is a good one, and Mr Stephens will make a success we are sure.

O. W. Porter, the extensive grower, has returned home, after spending the winter in Los Angeles Cal. He says that there had been but little rain in California up to the time he left, and the crop prospects are poor. Mrs. Porter and the children are visiting relatives in the Willamette Valley and will probably arrive home tomorrow.—Huntington Herald.

Cattle buyers here are offering \$19 for yearlings, \$25 for two-year-olds and \$30 for threes. These prices do not suit our cattlemen and so far there has been no sales as we know of. Another thing that cannot be agreed upon is delivering at the railroad. Our stockmen want to sell and deliver here while the buyers wish to receive the stock at the railroad.

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