

How Goes the Battle.

Lieut. J. A. Young has written to his friend and former employer an interesting letter, from which we make the following extract:

Well with all our peaceful intents the negroes have forced us to a fight. We came here to lick Spain and we did it. After we had done so, the natives were very friendly, (Maricana Philipeno much amego, Maricana Spaniard much a boom boom,) but they soon began to take advantage of our kindness and to think they would send us home, and gradually they commenced to get saucy and mean to us, and to raise an army. When we were in Cavite they were living in palaces, while our officers and men were living in the rotten old Spanish barracks. Why, the s— of b— even refused us a place to bury our dead; but we got a place all the same, and got it just where we wanted it. They had guards all around, in and out of town. We could not go anywhere without running into them, and a fellow did not know when he was going to be held up by their guards. Then when we came to Manila they never left the trenches, but at once began to repair them and make more and better, and they gradually forced themselves nearer the city, until we could not go two miles from town without being run in and taken before some of their higher officials to chew the rag for half an hour. Finally they made us so much trouble, we would not go any place. That made them bolder, and they began to make it pretty hot for our men on outpost. They would drive them in every once in a while, until it got so it was more than we could stand. And, mind you, all this time our men had strict orders not to fire on them; but on February 4th they gave orders, that if they made any advances, to fire. As usual, they started to crowd the Nebraska boys back, but they made a mistake for that was just what they wanted them to do. After commanding them twice to halt, they kept on coming. The guard shot the three of them, and he said he had no more than done so when they began to pop up all along the line. They had been crawling in on our men. The fight started about the center of the line about 8:30 p. m., and before morning the entire line was at it red hot, and by 9 o'clock the next day, the niggers were making a running fight, and if we had had enough troops they would be running yet. After anyone had stood what we have stood from them, it would do his heart good to walk over that battlefield and out to their trenches and see the dead niggers. Some places they were piled four deep in their trenches. I was in one place where I could count over a hundred and not move out of my tracks, and 63 of them were within 100 feet of me, but I did not get to see the place where our men made the biggest killing. Our regiment was not in the fight, but Co. A has been in one since. We are doing patrol duty in the Binondo district, which is the toughest part of New Manila. The natives made an attempt to burn the town, which resulted in burning about three blocks and the death of 150 niggers, of which Co. A have 15 notches on their gun stocks.

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