

### FAILED TO SHOW FIGHT.

Standards in Puerto Rico Offer Little Resistance—Victory May Be a Bloodless One.

Washington, Aug. 3.—Some reports which have been received from Puerto Rico, but which for political reasons cannot be made public, have given great satisfaction to the officials of the war department, since they go to show that the resistance which can be made by the Spanish troops will be very slight and it is even possible that Gen. Les will achieve an almost bloodless victory. In fact, it has been suggested that some plausibility that the Madrid government, realizing the impendency of peace, and the lack of loyalty towards the monarchy of the mass of Puerto Ricans, have allowed the Spanish garrison of the island to understand that they are not expected to sacrifice their lives in useless resistance to superior force, so that all that is to be expected is to be a rather formal opposition to the progress of Gen. Les' triumphal march across the island.

Ponce, Aug. 1, via St. Thomas, D. W. Aug. 3.—An outpost of the American army has now halted at Coamo, about two-thirds of the way to Aibonito on the road to San Juan. Col. Huggins advanced this morning, met a detail sent out to reconnoiter, which reported that there was no sign of the enemy. The latter, it was said, had retreated to Aibonito, where he would make a stand. A delegation of the citizens of Coamo came out and Col. Huggins was tendered the freedom of the city as an American soldier. The citizens reported that the Spanish had tried to take away all the money that was secreted. The stories of Spanish barbarity have been greatly exaggerated. There is no authentic case of destruction of private property or outrage upon women. Gen. Otega is still at Aibonito, with probably a thousand Spanish regulars. Gen. Stone, with a small force, went Monday afternoon to Adjuntas, where Spanish outrages are reported on Saturday. He will occupy the town, proclaim American rule, establish communication with the surrounding country and push across the Arcebo, on the north coast. Ponce, Aug. 3.—Arroyo and Guayama were seized Monday, and the American flag hoisted by Capt. Goodrich, of the St. Louis. A detachment led at Arroyo from the Gloucester at the Wasp and met with no opposition. After entering the town and being in charge of his men he went on to Guayama, four miles west. There he found that the Spanish troops had abandoned the place several days before. Guayama may be used as a supply depot for our troops.

### POPE ASKS HELP.

Appeals for Protection for Priests and Property in the Philippines.

Washington, Aug. 3.—The pope has appealed to the United States government to protect Catholic clergymen and church property from the insurgents in the Philippines. A dispatch from Cardinal Rampolla, the pope's secretary of state, was sent to the war department from the Catholic legation in Washington. The cablegram informed the department that advice received at the vatican from Manila are such as to cause the keenest anxiety for the lives of the Catholic bishop and clergymen at Manila. The insurgents who are encamped outside of the Philippine capital were urged to be threatening the priests and there was imminent danger of a general massacre. Cable messages were sent to Gen. Merritt and Admiral Dewey instructing them to spare no means to prevent any violence of the insurgents against the Catholic clergy property. The Catholic incident comes with other circumstances to affirm the grave years which the administration entertains in regard to the situation in the Philippines.

### FEAR THE INSURGENTS.

General Merritt Wants 50,000 Troops That He May Be Able to Meet Any Emergencies.

San Francisco, Aug. 3.—In reply to a dispatch received Tuesday from Gen. Merritt, now at Cavite, Gen. Merriam replied that since the departure of the governor general to the Philippines by transports, with 4,897 men, had been from this port.

Scarcely had the message been sent before Gen. Merriam received word from the war department that Gen. Merritt had asked to have his command increased from 20,000 to 50,000 men in order to be able to meet any emergency which may arise on account of the hostile attitude of Aguinaldo and the insurgent forces.

### Death of a Veteran.

St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 3.—Brig. Gen. George C. Smith, a native of New Hampshire, 69 years of age, who entered in an Indiana volunteer regiment and served with distinction during the rebellion until compelled to retire because of very severe wounds at Chickamauga, died at his home in this city Tuesday evening. For the last 30 years Gen. Smith has been a part of the public school system of St. Paul, being at the time of his death principal of the Madison school building, one of the largest in the city.

### Boiled Down.

An amusing story is told of the editor of a go-ahead evening newspaper, who, in the eternal rushing to press to get ahead of the opposition, was constantly impressing upon his reporters the necessity of condensing all news.

A terrible boiler explosion had taken place on board a big ship lying at Portsmouth. "Get down there as hard as you can," he said to one of his men. "If you catch the 11:30 from London bridge you'll be there soon after two, and you can just wire us something for the extra special—but boil it down."

And the reporter went. Soon after three o'clock that afternoon they got a wire from him: "Terrific explosion. Melpomene. Boiler empty. Engineer full. Funeral to-morrow. No flowers."—Spare Moments.

### Journalistic Amenities.

"Our war of a contemporary," the current issue of the Jazeville Gazette says, "claims, as far as the war is concerned, to have the earliest intelligence. That is the kind of intelligence they always had at their office. It is more than early; it is primitive."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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### Quiet Wasted.

"Somebody has invented a noiseless cannon." "That's the way with science—always putting help where it isn't needed; why don't some of those cranks invent a noiseless alarm clock?"—Detroit Free Press.

### American Skill.

Many physicians in Germany and England, as well as in the United States and Canada, are referring their Hay-Fever and Asthma patients to Dr. P. Harold Hayes, of Buffalo, N. Y., whose success in curing these diseases has attracted their attention.

### Temporarily.

Mr. Poppitt—How would you like me for your big brother, Tommy? "Not until they are marked down to \$188," replied Mrs. Snaggs.—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

### The Bargain Instinct.

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### Apropos.

Van Slyck—I've tried every known remedy for consumption. Von Slyck—You must have quite a medicine chest.—Judge.

If men would dig half as hard to raise corn as they do digging gold, there would be more rich men.—Washington (La.) Democrat.

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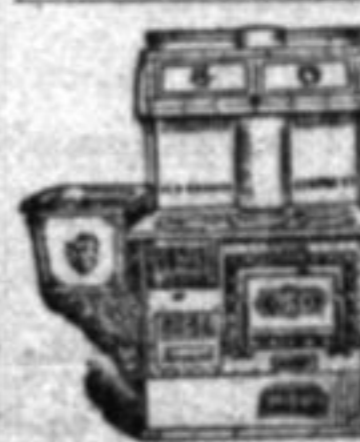
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