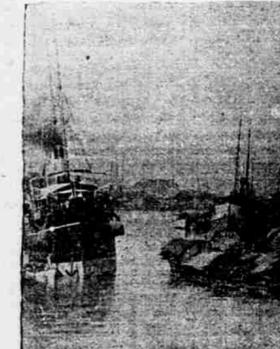


IMPRESSIONS OF MANILA.

The Capital of the Philippines and Its People as Seen by Our Correspondent.

By H. C. KIRK.

Wonder, surprise and amused interest are among the first feelings one experiences on landing at Manila.



HOUSEBOATS ON THE PASIG RIVER.

1, and in the course of two hours dropped anchor some three miles distant from the city.

Native boats and casks dotted the bay, and more than 30 deep-draft vessels appeared outside the breakwater.

But the spectacle afforded by the harbor and shipping, despite of their historic associations, did not inspire the novelty of the landing or city.

the native beggar, the clack-clack of the Chinese vendor, the methodical speech of the German, the animated tones of the Spaniard, and the peremptory challenge of the American sentinel, found now in all quarters of the city.

The costumes are no less peculiar, and vary as much in style as texture, and as much in scantiness as color.

From the hotel arrangements one could easily imagine himself in Spain in the time of Cervantes, with an occasional touch of the Orient.

Spain has planted her impress upon the Philippines and Philippine institutions, and it remains to be seen whether American ideas can improve upon what Spain has done.

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Photographed by James Martin Miller. GROUP OF NATIVES.

court; for the hotels, including the Oriente, English, Kenwood, Belvidere, Universo and New York Grande, as well as the Hotel de Espana, are all on the Spanish plan.

Our first night at the English was passed in a room on the ground floor of the court, with a horse tethered close to the window.

The sleeping machine, which is really nothing more than a cane-bottom bed with a netting around it, may be of oriental origin, but much of the other furniture, as well as methods of cooking and eating, and the universality of smoking, are all suggestive of Spain.

The first architecture to be found in the churches and church edifices, which are numerous, and in instances among the oldest.

Civilization and the Brick. It is wonderful how important is the place in the history of civilization filled by the common brick.

I was manhandling making an attempt to free myself from the body of McKee, as the guerrillas sprang forward and struck me on the head with his gun, which stunned me for a moment.

Comrade Pavey, who had eluded his pursuers, came in. A troop of cavalry was sent out, Pavey acting as guide.

The question of the health of the whole system is dependent on the rate of the flow of the blood in the body. It has been estimated that the velocity of the blood in the arteries of an average healthy person is about 12 inches a second.

he became part of a regularly organized community, with its subdivision of labor and its common life, that he was able to construct for himself temples and palaces out of uniformly-shaped pieces of burnt clay.

IN A TIGHT PLACE. An Unpleasant Adventure With Guerrillas, Which Included a Tragedy.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: During the war I had a little experience with bushwhackers that I have never seen recorded in your paper.

We were ordered to sit down on a big log, and we were tied by negroes, all three by the necks of our shirts.

The rebels broke and fled before. That dumb, determined foe; The winds the shout of victory bore To Grant far down below.

With Donelson was made a way Into Seclusion's shell. And Shiloh's Corinth Vicksburg lay, South Grant's all-conquering lay.

Velocity of Human Blood. The question of the health of the whole system is dependent on the rate of the flow of the blood in the body.

THE CHARGE OF THE 2D IOWA AT FORT DONELSON.

BY LIEUT. MOSES A. MCCOY.

The war cloud shadowed all the land And darkened day by day; Rebellion seemed in upper hand, And strengthened for the fray.

Potomac's banks it fortified, About the banks deployed; Defeat all hearts laid mortified, And faith in God destroyed.

Now to the left, far through the wood Swift flies the silent man; Amazed, his legged guardman could But dimly guess his plan.

Then charge up that abated hill, On bayonets rely; Fire not a single gun until "The foeen bark and fly."

Up sprang the boys, all brave and true, As passed the word along; Though each full well the danger knew, 'Twas sweet as notes of song.

Right-shoulder shift, fixed bayonet, on, Devoted boys, they ran; O'er broken ground, through tree-tops, on, Nor faltered any man.

Through fire and smoke and death they pressed, With lives maintained full well, And paused not till they reached the crest Or toward it, facing, fell.

The sun went down, the warriors slept On arms the long night through, While pickets round their vigils kept On rampart and in slough.

When morning came, upon the wall A truce flag kissed the sky; And paused not till the bugle call Told that the end was nigh.

That charge victorious called to arms The legions East and West, From office, shop and stores and farms With wall-swellings breast.

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A Chicken Story. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: While in camp at Little Rock, Ark., during the winter of 1864-65, as we were always on the lookout for something different from the hardtack, Jim Long, one of my comrades, came to me and said: "Pard, do ye's want some chickens?"

I told him I did not think there could be a chicken within 40 miles of camp. But he said: "Faith, there is, and I know where; and they're nice wains, too; they're already been fattened. Just put on 'e socks and come w' me and ye'll see. They're roight by the Kunnel's tent. The guard is puein' along an' we will have to git the tent between us and the guard, and kape it there."

So we went right up to headquarters and secured the box; he took hold of one end and I the other. We carried the box about 200 yards and deposited it on the ground, and took out 12 chickens, and secured them, leaving the rooster to crow for the Colonel in the morning.

Jim was right when he said they were fat; I do not remember having enjoyed chicken any more than I did these.

The next morning our Captain came down to our camp. We could tell he was something out of the ordinary, for he looked very sober, and his cap was an' dinged over his eyes. This was considered by the boys as a bad sign, for when everything was "O. K." he would be smiling, and his cap placed on the back of his head; so when he reversed his cap we thought it time to do something. He came up to us and said: "Boys, I am afraid Co. E has been in mischief, an' Jim, I believe you are the boy."

Jim replied, "Faith, I am. Wat is it?" The Captain said: "Well, I believe you are." "Faith, an' I am, Captain. Wat is it?" "The Colonel's chickens have been stolen. I hope Co. E has had nothing to do with it. The Colonel offers \$50 reward for the man who did it."

"By the boy, an' I've a good mind to go up and tell him and git the money," said Jim. Co. E had enjoyed an early breakfast between 2 and 3 o'clock in the morning. The chickens were delicious, and we would not have exchanged the feast for \$50.—PATON D. DILLON, Co. E, 29th Iowa, Palmer, Neb.

The Brain's "Name Center."

An Austrian savant has declared that the human brain contains a "name center." He says that it is the office of this cell to retain names. A striking case which would seem to confirm this theory recently occurred at Cleveland. A brakeman was shot by a conductor, and the former could not remember the names of persons or things, although he could perfectly well describe the functions of all articles exhibited to him. The surgeon probed for



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the bullet and found it in the exact spot necessary to effect the remembrance names, according to the Austrian's theory. When the pressure on the brain had been relieved the patient remembered names as well as he had done before his injury, and told the name of his assailant.

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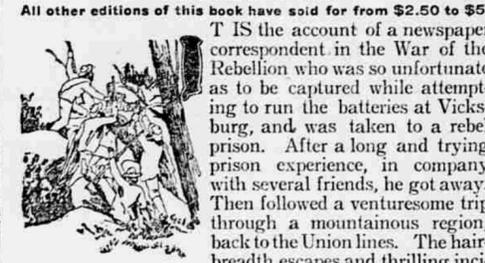
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