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The New Mexico Supreme court looks well and does well.

Our friends over in San Miguel county will do well to heed: "Noli me tangere."

Spain is losing good and valuable time. The maana policy cuts no ice wherever the United States is concerned.

Spain has suspended payment of the salaries to civil officials and suspended the constitution. Come to think of it, Spain is in a state of suspense all around.

Lots of trouble on the queen's mind. In addition to having quite a war with this country on her hands, his royal highness, her son, Alfonso XIII, has the measles.

What a splendid effect upon the remainder, the removal of a few county officials doleful in duty or incompetent or dishonest would have. Respectfully referred to Governor Otero.

Richard Croker and David Bennett Hill are having a regular Shafter-Torral time of it in New York politics. A few weeks will show if it is Bennett Hill Shafter or Bennett Hill Torral.

The political news from Socorro county indicate that it would be very well indeed, were the Republicans there to flock together. They should remember "United we stand, divided we fall."

Some idiot east wants to give the Hawaiian islands a new name. Hawaii is good enough; indeed any name is good enough for a state or a territory of the United States. Leave Hawaii alone.

There is one thing for which this country is devoutly thankful and that is that his excellency Grover Cleveland is keeping mum just at present on the question of our new territory of Hawaii.

The United States is a first class naval and military power now and became so in about four months. At this rate in another twelve months the United States would be at the head of the procession.

The expedition to Puerto Rico is being much more energetically and better conducted than was the expedition to Santiago de Cuba. But then, Major General Shafter weighs 300 pounds.

The Democratic, Free Silver, Popocratic and Pop papers claim that on the 8th of November next they will elect a majority of the members of the house of the 56th congress. But sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Very encouraging news from a political standpoint reaches the New Mexican from the county of Rio Arriba. With a good ticket and work in bringing out the Republican vote there, the county will give over 500 Republican majority. Good enough.

In Chaves county both parties have nominated their tickets and are getting ready for the fray. It is a clean cut fight down there and no Pops need apply. People vote the Republican or the Democratic ticket, it must be admitted generally the Democratic ticket. The Republicans, however, have made gains, are putting up a solid front, propose to make a good square fight, and while there is life there is hope.

John Addison Porter, secretary to the president, will be nominated by the Connecticut Republicans as their candidate for governor. Mr. Porter is a big, handsome, brainy man, full of vim, life and energy, and he will give them a race in the Nutmeg state that will make the old Yankees there feel that a new era is about to dawn upon them. The indications are that Mr. Porter will be nominated and will be elected as governor of Connecticut by a very handsome majority.

Fairness to Native New Mexicans.
Some of our esteemed and able contemporaries in the territory are busily engaged in a racket as to the loyalty of portions of our native born citizens. The racket is more of a tempest in a teapot than anything else. It is true that the native born citizens of this territory did not volunteer to any great extent during the present war. This is very easily accounted for by the fact that the recruiting was done in the larger towns of the territory, towns not containing many territorial native born residents. The New Mexican is of the opinion, that had the recruiting officers gone into the country and had free transportation been furnished, many hundreds of native born

New Mexicans would have volunteered. In addition it must be remembered that many sections of this territory are hard to reach and far away from the usually traveled routes. The majority of our native born citizens are engaged in tilling small farms, in herding cattle and sheep and similar vocations. There is very little ready cash among them for traveling expenses. They are home people, strong in their family ties and do not travel much. The restless, moving spirit of the average easterner or middle westerner is absent. Take these things into consideration and it will be found, that they will fully account for the small number of native New Mexicans in the New Mexico volunteers. It is well to be just and fair in these matters and that is what this paper is and will continue to be.

The Territorial Land Grants.

The last session of congress passed a bill, which was approved by the president on June 21, entitled "An act to make certain grants of land to the territory of New Mexico, and for other purposes." That act sets aside sections 16 and 36 in every township of the territory for the support of the common schools, or, where such sections contain mineral, have been sold, or have otherwise been disposed of or set aside by the government before the passage of the act, other lands equivalent, in legal subdivisions of not less than one-quarter sections, may be selected in lieu thereof. Other sections of the act grant lands for territorial institutions, a territorial university, for water reservoirs, for irrigation purposes, and for the improvement of the Rio Grande in New Mexico. The lands granted to the common schools amount to 4,332,000 acres; to territorial institutions, 1,343,080 acres, including 500,000 for reservoirs and 100,000 acres for the improvement of the Rio Grande, and exclusive of the saline lands, which cannot now be estimated; a total of 5,576,040 acres, aside from the saline lands.

The law also provides that the governor, the surveyor general and the solicitor general shall act as a commission to select the lands, acting under the instructions of the secretary of the interior. On July 9 Solicitor General Bartlett wrote to the secretary of the interior for the necessary instructions, but so far has not succeeded in securing them. However, he has received from the general land office at Washington, under the date of July 20, the instructions which have been issued to the registers and receivers of United States land offices in the territory, which are of no use to the commission, except the last section, which is useful in that it provides that the gift of possibly 6,000,000 acres of land to the territory has a string tied to it. The section referred to reads as follows:

14. The fees required by the seventh proviso of section 2253 U. S. R. S. must in every case accompany all lists of selections, except for agricultural colleges, and the payment of the fees must be noted on the general lists.

Now, under that ruling, the question arises: Wherein are the public schools to be benefitted and the territorial institutions to receive any aid from this magnificent land grant? Setting aside the lands allowed for the agricultural college, the fees for entering the lands selected by the commission, if it ever received its instructions to begin its work, will amount to \$80,000 or thereabouts. If the territory had this amount of money to spend on its common schools and territorial institutions at the present time, or any prospects of having that sum in the near future, it would hardly invest it in lands. But New Mexico has not the money to enter the lands, if the fee of \$2 for each quarter section must be paid in the local land office.

One provision of the law granting the land to the territory appropriates \$10,000 to defray the expenses of the commission and pay for the selection of the lands. If a part of the appropriation can be paid for entering lands selected, then the commission should organize at once, select 300,000 or 400,000 acres of the best lands, and allow the balance of the grant to remain public domain until congress makes an appropriation sufficient to pay the land office fees, or until such time as the territory will be able to pay the expense itself. Unless such an arrangement can be made, so far as the benefit New Mexico will derive is concerned, the bill would as well never have been passed.

WHIPPLE BARRACKS
Life Among the Volunteers from New Mexico—Drill, Drill, Drill—Hard Work.

HEALTH OF SOLDIERS GOOD
Captain Stover a Model Officer—Every Day Routine—Bill of Fare Conducive to Muscle and Hardness—Anxious to Leave.

Special to the New Mexican.
Whipple Barracks, Sunday, July 24.—Nearly 800 men, wearied with the drill that is converting them into soldiers, are resting within the lines of this picturesque camp today. They are not so pretty as when they kissed their wives and sweethearts good-bye, for the broiling sun has tanned their skins to a leathery hue, the hard stones of the parade ground have turned the heels of shoes and frayed the bottoms of pants and the general conditions of camp life, devoid of comforts, have caused the recruits to assume a condition of seedy dishabille. They are not so well dressed as they were two weeks ago, but they are more proficient in the matter of drilling and are better fitted to fight their country's battles.

No nationality can compare to the American for adaptability. He is capable of meeting any emergency and sur-

mounting any obstacle, but in no field of human ingenuity does he rise to his standard in this respect more thoroughly than when he essays to convert himself from an awkward plowboy, unskilled rustic, plodding workman, unskilled clerk, or even a soldier, into a bustling, bustling soldier, ready to do and dare in any capacity marking the manly and manly progress made here in that direction is marvelous. When the seven companies quartered here first arrived, they were to all intents and purposes raw recruits. It is true that many of them had secured some previous knowledge of drilling in National Guard duty, but to drop to the actual completion of field service, with its conditions of hard beds, harder "chuck" and hardest drilling was an experience well calculated to dampen the most patriotic ardor. The drills—before breakfast, after breakfast, in the forenoon, in the afternoon, guard mountings, dress parades, drills, drills, drills. Drills in front of tents, drills in front of tents, drills to the right, to the left, to the front, to the rear, by squads, by sections, by companies and by battalions, by heavens they drill "till the muscles weary and the spirits drop. But the superb results of it all are daily manifested by a more proficient bearing. No "hay feet" mar the superb alignment after executing "right front into line," "on right into line," "company right turn," etc. The splendid work attests pride and enthusiasm on the part of the privates and students. Application to the manuals by the officers. Some have in actual service on the field in this or other countries, but these previously experienced ones are in a hopeless minority.

The Various Companies.
The companies at present quartered in Whipple Barracks were recruited in Albuquerque, Santa Fe, Las Vegas, Las Cruces, Phoenix, Prescott and Tucson. Officers, men and hospital corps will number about 800 souls. The remaining companies belonging to the regiment are quartered at Fort Reno, Okla., and will unite with the Whipple Barracks contingent at San Francisco.

Whipple Barracks.
Whipple Barracks are located within one mile of the city of Prescott, almost in the center of Arizona. It is a ten-company fort (60 men to the company) and arranged to accommodate two cavalry and eight infantry companies. No "hay feet" mar the superb alignment after executing "right front into line," "on right into line," "company right turn," etc. The splendid work attests pride and enthusiasm on the part of the privates and students. Application to the manuals by the officers. Some have in actual service on the field in this or other countries, but these previously experienced ones are in a hopeless minority.

Cleanliness Enforced.
Presumably cleanliness should appear next to Godliness in print as well as elsewhere. The rules relating to cleanliness are rigidly enforced. Bathing must be observed at least twice a week and is strictly enforced. Failure to observe this important sanitary measure is punishable with imprisonment in the guard house.

Daily Routine.
The daily routine of the Whipple Barracks consists of the following:
Reveille—5:30 a. m.
Assembly—6:45 a. m.
Morning setting up exercises.
Breakfast—7 a. m.
Sick Call—7 a. m.
Drill—"School of the Soldier"—7:30 to 9:30 a. m.
Guard Mount—9:00 to 9:30 a. m.
Drill—"School of the Company"—10 to 11 a. m.
Adjutant's Call—11:15 a. m.
Dinner—12 m.
Drill—"School of the Soldier" and "Extended Drill"—2 to 3 p. m.
Sergeant's Call—3:15 p. m.
Drill—4 to 5 p. m.
Retreat and Dress Parade—5:30 p. m.
Supper—6 p. m.
Taps—9 p. m.

Tout Ensemble.
But to return to camp life. As a whole the men present a singular appearance, which can only be accounted for by one who can explain the vagaries of American character. Nothing but patriotic impulse could form such a conglomerate of tastes, minds and peculiarities. The dress of the troops is a parody on uniformity. Knowing the utility of arraying themselves in good clothes, a majority of the men came adorned in the most elaborate and unbecoming manner. It is not uncommon to see a man dressed in a frock coat and derby hat, sandwiched between one whose costume betrays the cowboy, and another whose matty uniform proclaims the university scholar. Whole companies are seen with no coats at all, and the boys are not infrequently caused one to instinctively grasp his pocketbook, and wonder if the fellow will ask for a handout. Every type and condition of life are found, from the city swell whose "long suit" is social or club life, to the innocent farmhand who sees in Prescott a veritable metropolis. The "knapsack ducks," or former servants under Uncle Sam are easily distinguished from the recent acquisitions by their upright carriage and punctilious observance of military etiquette. With the activity of the young soldiers, the spring to "attention" on the approach of an officer and salute with a grace that puts to shame the most charming obeisance of a polished ball room fop. A majority of these men are non-commissioned officers and are long a fully equipped regiment, thoroughly conversant with military regulations, will be in readiness to meet the enemy on any field. Measurements for clothing have already been taken. Each equipment outfit costs the government about \$25. The suits are a veritable "million-dollar" and cost \$9 each. A cape overcoat valued at \$8; a campaign hat at \$1; forage cap at 75 cents; pair of shoes at \$2.50, flannel shirts at \$2.10 and two suits of underclothing at \$2.50 per suit, complete outfit appears necessities. A rubber blanket, made in "poncho" fashion, with a hole in the center to put the head through, is also furnished. It costs the government \$1.40. It is understood that Krag-Jorgenson rifles will be furnished. These weapons are being turned out at the rate of 1,000 per day, and the Frankford arsenal in Philadelphia is making nearly 300,000 cartridges per day for the guns.

Barber Shops.
Each company has a barber shop. Fred Maestas officiates for the Santa Fe company, consisting of a twillike, hand flannel head rest nailed to a cracker box. Special rates have been made whereby each member of the company is entitled to eight shaves during the month and an occasional hair cut for the sum of \$1 per month.

Equipping the Regiment.
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An Early Move.
Despite rumors to the contrary, it is stated by those who are supposed to be in a position to know definitely, that the regiment will move within ten days and that the United States will be behind in less than two months, regardless of the Philippine expedition now being formed or of a probable declaration of peace. Uncle Sam's soldier is a good grumbler when in idleness. Then he manages to find fault with officers, food, quarters, clothing, pay and himself. He deplores his idleness for swearing away his liberty and declares he will never do it again if he lives. But let him believe that an early move is anticipated and that a scrimmage is probable, then he is happy. There is glory in real service but barracks life represents a continual funeral sermon over ambition.

About Company C.
Santa Fe has reason to feel proud of her gift to the government. Company C is probably the best drilled and best equipped company quartered in Whipple Barracks. Officers and men are of a superior order. Captain Stover is do-

highly recommended as a substitute for steel in the manufacture of car wheels and the 32-calibre cracker could be utilized by iron-jawed children while cutting teeth. The American army will never run out of ammunition so long as the harness of the "aristocrats" of the regiment (the non-commissioned officers) occasionally regaled themselves with fresh purchases from the Prescott bakery, but no direct evidence of this has been secured.

Fortunate the land is blessed
with just the fertility to produce high grade beets, and
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