## ELABORATE PREPARATIONS FOR THE ENCAMPMENT NEXT WEEK.

A GREAT ATTENDANCE EXPECTED-FEAT-

URES OF THE PROGRAMME. Chicago, Aug. 23 (Special) .- The thirty-fourth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Chicago, beginning on Saturday. It will be the greatest encampment certainly, and probably the last of all the great encampments. For never again will conditions so conspire as they do this time to swell the numhers in attendance and heighten the importance truly American patriotic festival. The reterans themselves are nearing the limit of human life; most of them must shortly go over to the great majority. At Philadelphia a year ago eight hundred thousand people visited the encampment. Of these one-tenth, or eighty thousand, were veterans. The figures are not speculation, but are taken from the actual railroad count. Chicago expects a throng of a million visitors, and fully hundred thousand of these promise to be veterans. The Middle West is the home of five hundred thousand of the seven hundred thousand surviving soldiers of the Civil War. These are not all G. A. R. men, but they are veterans nevertheless, and Chicago will act as a magnet on them. PREPARING FOR A CROWD.

Chicago is preparing for an immense crowd, for an influx greater than any since the World's Fair seven years ago. The conditions justify her +xpectations. Railway rates are right. They have the Middle West, but to the Pacific, the Gulf and flows; the masses of the population have money clination to attend a celebration and a festival. The countrysides will put money in their jeans and go up to the great city for a vacation. Then this is a political year. Gatherings, throngs, patriotism and politics are in the air. The voters will want to see the nominees at the same time and They will want to exchange views with men from other parts and to cheer the flag and feel the thrill the orators will start.

It had been expected that President McKinley would be here, and the announcement from Washington to-day that public business may keep him away has caused the greatest disappointment. The Committee of Arrangements has been thrown into a state bordering on consternation. Mr. Bryan will be here. The Spanish Minister and his American wife, the Duke and Duchess d'Arcos, have accepted the invitation of the city. General Nelson A. Miles, the commander of the Army. heads a long list of notable men. All the past commanders-in-chief and all the past department commanders of the G. A. R. will participate. Many posts are coming as a body, while all will send

The Grand Army parade, on Tuesday, August 28, will require from four to six hours for the procession to pass any given point, and it will be re-viewed by Commander-in-Chief Shaw of the G. A. cago, Carter H. Harrison; the Governor of Illinois. John R. Tanner, and by Governors and officials of ther States. The veterans will march through the Avenue of Fame, made in their honor. huge portraits of great military heroes, each picture ornamented with eagles and with flags, will stretch above their marching heads on lines strung across the avenue. From the Avenue of Fame Honor, nearly a mile long, reaching Michigan-Two great arches mark either entrance of the court; shining pillars, Roman and Venetian, will form a glittering colonmade, lit with electric bulbs and hung with the Stars and Stripes. Twenty-five thousand dollars is being expended on the Court of Honor, SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENTS AND FEATURES

The annual business meeting of the G. A. R. will be held on Wednesday at the Studehaker. Many 8 p special entertainments are being devised, while the programme is filled with features magnificent and mposing. The opening of the new Coliseum will be spectacular, and a grand war song will be sung by a thousand voices. Monday, August 27, will be naval day, on which will occur the grand parade of the naval veterans of the Civil War, escorted by the veterans of the Spanish war. There will be slake parade of all the Government vessels on the

dogwatch. Thursday afternoon will behold the great sham battle in Washington Park. A bristling kopje will be stormed and all will not be quiet on the Potomac. The ist and 2d regiments of the Illinois National Guard, the ist Illinois Cavalry and a troop of Uncle Sam's artillery from Fort Sheridan will participate in the battle. The City of Delicious Beer will be visited on Friday. Milwaukee will entertain the excursion party hospitably. The jocal see is expending \$100,000 in preparations, the resolved that the thirty-fourth Grand ment shall be a pronounced success, orgamme, as arranged before the news of sident's possible absence was received, is

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25.

4:45 p. m.—President's salute, twenty-one guns.

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8 p. m.—Dedication of new Coliseum, Wahash-ave, and Fifteenth-st., by the Coliseum Company, Grand musical festival; Phinney's United States Band, one hundred places; Professor Gabriel Katzenberger's chorus of one thousand voices, massed as a living flag. Concerts under auspices of Grand Army of the Republic Committee for the entire week. Popular prices.
8:30 p. m.—Commencing a week of Pain's new spectacle, "Battle of Santiago," and gorgeous fireworks display on Lake Front Fark, by Fain's Fireworks Company, under auspices of Grand Army of the Republic Committee. Fopular prices. SUNDAY, AUGUST 26.

10:20 a.m.—Special patriotic services will be held in all

2 p. m.—Sacred concerts will be given in the parks by military bands. 3 p. m.—Patriotic religious exercises for children in the

8 p. m.-Grand patriotic and sacred song service in the

MONDAY, AUGUST 27. Sunrise salute to the flag, thirteen guns. All citizens are requested to join in the ceremony and raise flags at this bone.

Sa. m.-Dedication of the Naval Arch.

5.2. m.—Dedication of the Naval Arch.
10:30 a. m.—Grand parade of the Naval Veterans of the Civil War, escorred by Veterans of the Spanish-Amerigan War, the Naval Reserves and Sons of Veterans, together with the National Association of Union ex-Prisoners of War, escorted by a battalion of the National Guard and the Boys' Brigade, representing the soldiers of the past, present and future, at retaining the seldiers of the past, present and future, at retaining the seldiers of the Naval Veterans' Association; National Commander James Atwell, of the National Association of Union ex-Prisoners of War; Colonel Asa W. Jones, commander-in-chief of the Sons of Veterans; Commander-in-chief of the Sons of Veterans; Commander-in-chief albert D. Snaw, of the Grand Army of the Republic, and distinguished guests.
5. p. m.—Parade of all Government vessels on the lakes, tugs, yachts, etc., all profusely decorated. The course will be from Lake Front Park to Lincoln Park.
5. p. m.—Naval battle off Lincoln Park.
8. p. m.—Dogwatch of the Naval Veterans' Association, at Association at Association and Commander Comman

m.—Dogwatch of the Naval Veterans' Association, at Association Auditorium, No. 155 La Salle-st. Grand campfire and reunion of the National Association of Union ex-Prisoners of War, at the Coliseum. Pirst Illumination of the arches and Court of Honor, in Michigan-ave.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28.

unrise salute, thirteen guns. 9 a. m.-The dedication of the Army arch.

## FOR LIGHT HOUSEKEEPING.

The number of people in this city who are trying all the while to reduce household cares to the minimum is greater than most suppose, and is onstantly increasing. To cut down the expense and the bother of all kinds of domestic service-to make living simpler, cheaper and more comfortable this is the end for which multitudes are striving. Many of them have found out how greatly they fany of them have found out how greatly they be helped in this laudable purpose by the use of as for heating and cooking. At one stroke it hables them to get rid of much of the dirt and rounle and expense of housekeeping. Servants sed not be so numerous, are made better naticed if you keep them, and can be dispensed with logether more easily. Take the typical case of a mail family desiring to economize. The flash of match in the morning gives warmth in the gastate, and almost without effort can coffee and loss be got ready on the gas-range. The head of the house lunches downtown, leaving his wife just be chance she wants to whip up some little dish in the gas range for her own lunch. Then dinner got outside, at restaurant or boarding house, here is housekeeping reduced to simplicity; and is the serviceable gas-fuel which alone makes it

of 1,000 voices. Twenty-five State reunions, halls to be announced. Reception of Woman's Relief Corps, at

Sunrise salute, thirteen guns.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29.

Chicago, Aug. 23.-A message from Mr. Cor-Sunrise salute, thirteen guns.

9 a. m.—Veterans' bicycle road race, five miles, starting at Washington Boulevard and Halsted-st. and finishing at Garfield Park bicycle track.

10 a. m.—Meeting of the Thirty-fourth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, at the Studebaker. Welcome by Mayor Carter H. Harrison, response by Commander-In-Chief Shaw. Welcome on behalf of the Department of Illinois, by Commander Joel M. Longenecker, response by General Louis Wagner. Convention of Woman's Relief Corps, in Central Music Hall. Meeting of ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, in Young Men's Christian Association Hall. Meeting of Daughters of Veterans, at hall No. 512, Masonic Temple. Meeting of Ladies of Ex-Prisoners of War Association, at hall No. 210, Masonic Temple. Meeting of National Association of Army Nurses of the Civil War, No. 200, Masonic Temple. Meeting of Ladies of the Naval Reserves, at hall No. 618, Masonic Temple. Meeting of Naval Veterans, at Handel Hall. Meeting of National Association Union ex-Prisoners of War, room No. 307, County Building. telyou, private secretary to the President, to William H. Harper, announcing that owing to the pressure of business it was possible that Mr. McKinley might be unable to attend the thirty-fourth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, created consternation among the Grand Army of the Republic men, as many of the arrangements and demonstrations were planned with President McKinley as the central figure. Chairman Harper, speaking for the Committee on Arrangements, expressed deep regret over the matter. He said:

PRESIDENT'S TRIP DOUBTFUL.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC MEN DIS-

APPOINTED BY MESSAGE FROM

MR. CORTELYOU.

SCHARN INDICTED FOR BURGLARY-RE-PORTED QUARREL NOT VERIFIED -RELEASE PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED.

The Grand Jury yesterday indicted Frederick Scharn on a charge of burglary in the third degree. Scharn is in the Tombs, held without bail, pending further investigation of the murder of Kate Scharn. his sister. The indictment was found on the evidence of Mrs. Anna Kehoe, who occupied rooms in the front part of the same floor on which are the Scharn apartments. She alleges that on the night of July 31 young Scharn stole her watch. The warrant was placed in the hands of Inspector Harley, who gave it to Deputy Warden Flynn,

MURDER STILL A MYSTERY. CUBA'S PROSPERITY GROWS ANOTHER LETTER FROM GOMEZ

MR. HAWLEY PREDICTS A RAPID IN-CREASE IN ISLAND'S RESOURCES.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Washington, Aug. 23.-Representative Hawlev. of Texas, whose home is in Galveston, has large business interests in Cuba, and he has just returned from a sojourn of several weeks in the island. Mr. Hawley is a business man and naturally he views conditions in Cuba through different spectacles than Mr. Cisneros and most other Cuban politicians do. In the course of a conversation to-day Mr. Hawley

Harley, who gave it to Deputy Warden Flynn, of the Tombs. In case Scharn is released on a habeas corpus writ, the warrant will be served. On the application of a representative of the Dis-We feel that nothing but business of the gravest import to the Nation is dictating the President's course. We can only hope he can trick Attorney's Office, and with the consent of agricultural products has been normal, with

OFFICIALS OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC ENCAMPMENT.



WILLIAM H. HARPER,

COLONEL J. H. WOOD, Chairman Executive Committee and Chief Marshal.

by invitation of Swift & Co.

p. m.—Reception of Daughters of Veterans, drill hall,
Masonic Temple. Grand war song concert at Coliseum, Wahash-ave, and Fifteenth-st. Phinney's
United States Band, of 100 pieces, and Professor
Katzenberger's chorus of 1,000 voices. Campfire of
Army of the Potomac. Campfire of Army of the
Tennessee. Campfire of Army of the Cumberland.
Campfire of Army of the Mississippi and Guif.
Campfire of Army of the Frontier.

p. m.—Pain's new spectacle, "Battle of Santiago," and gorgeous fireworks display on Lake Front Park Electric fountain will play at Lincoln Park. Illu-nination of streets, arches and Court of Honor. THURSDAY, AUGUST 80.

Sunrise salute, thirteen guns.

10 a. m.—Adjourned business meetings of the encamp ment. Adjourned business meetings of auxiliary s

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8:30 a. m.—Delegates' excursion on Lake Michigan, Mil-waukee and return, on the whaleback steel steamship Christopher Columbus. p. m.-Automobile parade.

8:30 p. m.—Pain's new spectacle, "Battle of Santiago," and gorgeous fireworks display on Lake Front Park.

THE FIRST CLASS BATTLESHIP ALABAMA IN DRYDOCK

Electric fountain will play at Lincoln Park. Illumination of streets, arches and Court of Honor.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1.

Afternoon—Baseball, golf and other games in the various parks throughout the city.
4 p. m.—Concerts in Lincoln, South and Garfield parks.

ATKINSON DENIES INVITING BRYAN.

staff of Colonel Albert D. Shaw, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, expressed

considerable indignation yesterday over a published report that he had invited William Jennings

Bryan to the National Encampment of the Grand

Army at Chicago next week. Mr. Atkinson posi-

Army at Chicago next week. Mr. Atkinson positively denies that he did so. He says that the only source from which invitations to the encampment can come is the Committee on National Encampment, which has its headquarters in Chicago and is largely composed of the municipal officers of that city. Mr. Atkinson also stamps as entirely false the report that there is any shadow of bickering between himself and the Commander-in-Chief, and he believes that some personal enemy is circulating such rumors solely in order to injure him.

E. J. Atkinson, Quartermaster-General on the

6 p. m.—Pain's new spectable, "Battle of Santiago," and gorgeous fireworks display on Lake Front Park Electric fountain will play at Lincoln Park, Illu-mination of ctreets, arches and Court of Honor. Taps.

CAPTAIN W. H. BROWNSON, COMMANDER.

to the Navy Yard early yesterday morning, was Captain W. H. Bronson, N. S. N., who will command the vessel when she is placed in commission.

ROBBED IN SLEEPING CAR BERTH.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 23.-Edward E. Balch, assist-

ant cashier of the Omaha National Bank, was as-

saulted in his berth on the Chicago and North-

and robbed of \$130—all the money he had on his person. On the arrival of the train in the city he was removed to his home. He is still unconscious, but probably will recover.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Amoretti, of this city, were also robbed of a small sum. They were not awakened by the robbers.

The railway people believe the robber followed Balch from Chicago, where he was calling on bankers yesterday.

DR. VEAZEY DEFEATED AT ROQUET.

forenoon's play in the National Roquet Associa-

tion tournament, here was the defeat of Dr. B. R. Veazey, of Wilmington, Del., by Dr. J. N. Daven-port, of Northampton, Mass., and later by C. G. Williams, of Washington, Veazey up to this forenoon was undefeated, scoring four straight wins.

Norwich, Conn., Aug. 23.-The surprise of the

arrange matters so that he may be present during at least a part of the encampment. The reception of veterans, set for Monday, probably will be postponed to the latter part of the week.

THE ALABAMA IN DRYDOCK.

BIG WARSHIP EXPECTED TO GIVE A GOOD ACCOUNT OF HERSELF.

The battleship Alabama swung into the Navy Yard from midstream a little after 7 o'clock yeserday morning, and after some trouble was put in Drydock No. 3. She will remain in drydock until Monday or Tuesday, when the mighty warship will eceive her formal examination and a sea trial along the Cape Ann coast.

During her stay in drydock her hull will be leaned and her decks placed in perfect order. Her rew at the present time consists of 478 men belonging to Cramps' yards at Philadelphia, where the vessel was built. Until the battleship is turned over to the United States Government Captain R. W. Sargent, of the Cramps Company, will have charge of her. Yesterday Captain Sargent said: The Alabama is going to give a glorious account f herself, and there is not the remotest doubt of eraccount of the steadlest ship I have

Rear-Admiral Rodgers, president of the Board of Inspection and Survey, which will pass upon the vessel, boarded the Alabama as she rested in the drydock. He made a casual inspection of her, and refused to say anything when he left the vessel. On her trip from off Tompkinsville, Staten Island, Emanuel Friend, Scharn's counsel, Justice Fitzthe hearing in the matter of the writ of habeas ease, until this morning. In court yesterday Scharn was cool and self-possessed. His steady nerve and fearless expression under the gaze of the rowd that gathered in the courtroom was remarkable. Nettie Harris, Scharn's sweetheart, who was in court, was much disappointed when she earned that her lover was forced to remain with the police for another day at least. As Scharn was taken out of the courtroom he was joined by his sweetheart. They talked earnestly for a moment and left the building together.

It was learned yesterday that when Frederick Scharn was first placed under arrest by Inspector Harley he told of a trip to Yonkers before going to call on Miss Harris on Saturday evening. Scharr stated that when he left the flat in Second-ave. where his sister was murdered he went to Yonkers to search for a man named Williams, whom he had known about two years ago. He did not find him. He then returned to this city and called have been unable to account for, the time between eaving his home and arriving at the Harris house. It is said that it was because of this alleged dis-crepancy that Scharn was committed to the Tombs. The police of the East Thirty-fifth-st. station are endeavoring to break Scharn's alibi concerning Saturday night and to establish the fact that the strangling took place soon after Kate Scharn's eturn to her flat after she had been at Bloomingdale's store. The police think that the last peron who saw her alive was Mrs. Bird, a widow, who works at the Eagle pencil works, in East Four-

teenth-st. In spite of this attempt to break Scharn's alibi, Edward Murphy, a salesman in a grocery store at Third-ave, and Thirty-sixth-st., declared yesterday that Miss Scharn purchased pears from him on Saturday between 6 and 6:30 o'clock. Murphy's story is corroborated by the cashier of the store, Miss Elia Cronlin. Murphy admitted that he might be mistaken as to the date on which he sold Miss Scharn the fruit, but still thought his first statement correct.

A report that on the day of the murder a woman living in the neighborhood had seen Scharn and his sister quarrelling could not be verified by the police, who believe the story originated from gossip. Captain McClusky, of the Central Office, who has been paying especial attention to the murder mystery, said yesterday that there had been no report made to him of the alleged finding of a shirt that was said to be an important clew in the case. He laughed at the story. He went further, and said that in his opinion the murder was not committed by a woman.

TO INVESTIGATE POSTAL TUBES.

NAMES OF COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE PNEUMATIC

Washington, Aug. 23 (Special).-It may be remembered that in the last session of Congress there was a brisk fight over the pneumatic tube contracts for the postal service, and charges of corruption and extravagance were made by several Representatives. Appropriations for the operation of the system were continued, however, but as a precaution the following proviso was inserted in the appropriation law:

serted in the appropriation law:

For the investigation by the Postmaster-General of the cost of construction, operation and utility of all systems of pneumatic tubes for the transmission of mail, including full details of maps, and any estimates and proposals as to the cost of construction, as well as the cost of stations and their operation, and all facts bearing upon the use of said tubes in connection with the mail service, to enable Congress to determine whether the service should be owned, leased, extended or discontinued by the Government; also the cost at which the Government may acquire existing plants or necessary patents, \$10,000.

By virtue of this act an investigating committee has been appointed by the Postmaster-General to execute the duties set forth in the above proviso. The committee will consist of J. H. Masten, Super-Montgomery, Superintendent of Mails, Brooklyn, chairman; J. A. Montgomery, Superintendent of Mails, Chicago, and E. W. Alexander. The committee is authorized to make examinations in all cities where the pneumatic tube system is in operation, and will employ such experts and mechanics as may be needed to make thorough investigation.

TO GREET SENATOR DEPEW.

committee of the Republican Club of Nework will go down the bay to-morrow on the Quarantine boat to meet Senator Chauncey M. Depew, who is returning from Europe on the steamship New-York. Members of the committee are Robert C Morris, Dr. E. J. Palmer, William Brookneld, William Leary, John Sabine Smith, H. C. Piercy and R. N. Kenyon. There will be a reception for Senator Depew at the Republican Club immediately upon his return to the city.

NATIONAL STARCH COMPANY FORMED. Chicago, Aug. 23.-Announcement is made of the organization of the National Starch Company, with a capitalization of \$13,000,000, of which \$10, 000,000 will be issued. The officers will be W. F. saulted in his berth on the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, near Boone, Iowa, early to-day,
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> GARDINER HEARING NEXT WEEK. Albany, Aug. 23.-Governor Roosevelt sent word to Attorney-General Davies to-day that he would be in Albany, Saturday, September 1, and at that time would give hearing in the Executive Chamber upon the charges preferred by the City Club of New-York against District Attorney Gardiner of that city. At this hearing the findings of Ansley Wilcox, who heart testimony about the charges, will be made public, and District Attorney Gardiner or his representative will have an opportunity to submit an answer.

sufficient rain in most districts. The tobacco crop was large, and the growing sugar crop, if present conditions are maintained, will nearly double the crop of last year. Large areas of land are being planted, and extended improvements in many ways are projected. Under these conditions of agriculture, labor finds employ-ment at remunerative prices. American and English capital is being largely invested in this industrial development of the island. struction of railways under former charters, the development of mines, the cultivation of fruits on a most extended scale, the re-establishment of sugar properties and the establishment of new estates on the most modern and approved bases all tend to create a state of affairs that not only supplies the labor of Cuba to-day with employ-ment, but is full of promise for the future. Cuba, unlike Porto Rico, and, though in less de-Cuba, unlike Porto Rico, and, though in less de-gree, unlike the Philippines, is not a populous country. There are to-day in Cuba virgin forests that have never been traversed by civil-ized man. There is an immense area of virgin soil as rich as the world affords, in a climate un-surpassed, that would yield to labor and to capital as large and certain returns as any imoc-cupied field on the continent.

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It is sometimes suggested that more people and more capital would immediately enter Cuba and rapidly develop all of its great possibilities but for the apprehension that political difficul-ties may disturb its progress. This is a lost ap-prehension. The Cubans are, for the most part, and rapidly develop all of its great possibilities but for the apprehension that political difficulties may disturb its progress. This is a lost apprehension. The Cubans are, for the most part, a serious minded people, and make welcome every element of growth and enterprise that establishes itself in the island. They desire peace and a full share of prosperity Cuba is, geographically and commercially, near to the United States. This Government has guaranteed a stable government and absolute pacification of the island, and I know of no country where property rights and every form of right will be more secure than in the island of Cuba. The sanitary condition of the island—of vast concern to this country, particularly to those who live in Southern ports—has so improved that it is believed possible now to eject yellow fever. The conduct of this important factor in our intercourse is under the direction of the Linited States Marine Hospital Service, which has shown capacity and energy of the highest order in dealing with this problem.

The cause of education is now well advanced, and the youth of Cuba will receive every advantage that belongs to the daily school life of the American boy or girl. So, after a trying and devastating war, every element that favorably affects community interests is at work in Cuba for the maintenance of its health, the education of its youth, and the promotion of its commerce with the United States, which will soon grow beyond any former experiences or preconceived notions of its value and extent.

THE OLD REVOLUTIONIST SAYS HIS FIRST

EPISTLE WAS MISUNDERSTOOD. Havana, Aug. 23 .- General Maximo Gomez today published a second letter to the electors of Cuba, in anticipation of the forthcoming Constitutional Convention. After saying that the people have not rightly understood the former

letter, he goer on to observe: The Separatist party in Cuba has always defended the idea of independence. Other parties have been formed to combat this just aspiration of the people. The matter now in hand is one of vastly more importance than any question of public offices. From the convention something should result which shall be clear, honorable and in harmony with the revolution.

Should this work be intrusted to those who in arms opposed the revolution, or to the revolutionists who lent their aid to the cause on the field of battle and in towns abroad? The revolution should not abandon the convention to enemies, but should crown its own work in the convention.

convention. It is freely remarked in Havana that the first letter of General Gomez was responsible for the

success of the meeting of the Union Democratic party.

IMPROVEMENTS IN ISLAND. Washington, Aug. 23.-General Wood to-day cabled the War Department the following dispatch:

Santiago de Cuba, August 23, 1900.

Adjutant-General, Washington.

Arrived in Santiago to-day; sail from here
Sunday night. Agricultural and industrial conditions throughout the island improving steadily. ditions throughout the island improved Political situation quiet. Deep interest in con-WOOD.

WOOD WELCOMED TO SANTIAGO.

Santiago, Cuba, Aug. 23 .- Governor-General Wood arrived here to-day, and was received by five thousand cheering Cubans, who lined the streets from the wharf to the palace, where a reception, at which the civil authorities were present, was held. The Governor-General was

accompanied to the palace by a mounted escort and by Cuban bands of music. Silvestre Rico, a much feared bandit, was killed by Lieutenant Marino Moncada, of the Rural Guards, last night, at Songo. The bandit's real name was Silvestre Bueno

There were several charges of horse stealing and arson against him. His death is considered a fatal blow to brigandage in this district, as it is supposed that only a few bandits remain at General Wood expresses himself as much pleased at the evidences of agricultural improve-ment that he has found during his trip. His plan is to remain for three days, and a number

of banquets, receptions and balls are in prepara-

The elections promise to go off smoothly. There is no yellow fever here.

TESTS OF GUN CARRIAGES MADE.

HAZY WEATHER PREVENTS FIRING OF MANY SHOTS AT SANDY HOOK

The Board of Ordnance and Fortifications yester day at Sandy Hook made a test of new types of rapid fire field gun carriages. The results were not of great importance, men who knew said, and the Board expected little more. The tests were made with 3-inch guns, but as the weather was hazy not many shots were fired, owing to fear of hitting ships. Little information about what the test de-

The Board of Ordnance and Fortifications left Pier No. 3, East River, at 9 o'clock in the morning on the General Meigs. The Board was made up of Lieutenant-General Nelson A. Miles and Brigadier-General John M. Wilson, chief of engineers, United States Army, both of whom came from Washington early yesterday morning; Brigadier-General A. R. Buffington, chief of the Bureau of Ordnance; Colonel John I. Rodgers in command at Fort Hamfilton, and General Henderson, the civilian member. With the Board went Colonel J. W. Barlow. Colonel G. L. Gillespie, Major F. S. Heath and Captain Edgar Jadwin. Lieutenant-General Miles's son also saw the tests. The experiments were conducted by the ordnance officers at Fort Hancock, under the direction of Captain Ira Nutt, of that post. The Board held a meeting on the General

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