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It was all a mistake. Admiral Dewey is a Republican, and not a Democrat.

One man died from overexertion during the fight at San Juan, but he was not following orders from Washington.

Dewey's battle at Manila was at 5 o'clock Sunday morning, but according to our time it was 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, the day before.

About the only thing the farmers needed to make them supremely happy was another good tobacco season and they got that yesterday.

Boiled down to a few words of English, the plain truth is that the Spanish have for nearly four weeks successfully prevented the invasion of Cuba by the land and naval forces of the United States.

The Courier-Journal has declared for Dewey and Lee as a Presidential ticket on their war records. It does not state what party it wants them to be nominated by.

Chas. H. Thrall and Salvador Johnson, two New York war correspondents, have been captured by the Spanish and an effort is being made to secure their release by exchange. They are in Fort Cabanas, Havana.

Judge Morrow, the Republican circuit judge at Williamsburg, has decided the Whitley county gerrymander unconstitutional. Whitley county was taken out of the Third appellate district by the legislature and put in the Fifth. The case will of course go to the Appellate Court for final decision.

Lieut. Bassett was in town yesterday kicking because his company at Lexington was furnishing only sixteen blankets. Just why the Government should have adopted the ratio 16 to 1 in this matter—16 blankets to 1 company—has not been made clear.

Blanco sent out a couple of Spanish warships from Havana harbor Saturday afternoon and attempted to decoy blockading ships within range of his four-mile guns, but the Americans were too wary to have the Winslow blunder repeated.

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The worst feature of the Cuban trouble is that the insurgent forces are too small to be taken into consideration in prosecuting the war. There appears to be no army worth speaking of, the only troops so far found being straggling bands of guerrillas, most of them colored.

If Admiral Cervera with only nine ships attempts to get any nearer to Cuba, surrounded as it is by four times as many American ships, he must be not only a brave but a reckless man. If the object is to fight Cervera, it would seem that the thing to do is to go after him, since he is known to be only a few hundred miles away. Play ball, and cannon ball at that!

Maj. S. R. Crumbough, at present Supervising Inspector of steam vessels at Cincinnati, wants to be appointed a Brigadier General of Volunteers. He thinks his prospects for appointment are good, as the President is his personal friend and will likely be glad of an opportunity to atone for the shabby treatment according to the Major in keeping him out of an appointment for more than a year after the Administration went into office. Major Crumbough's friends here will be glad to see him realize his ambition.

Curocoa, off the coast of Venezuela, where Cervera's fleet was last seen, is 500 miles from Cuba and the Spanish fleet is said to be short of coal and otherwise out of condition. Sampson and Schley are now at opposite ends of Cuba and a part of Watson's fleet is at Cienfuegos on the south coast. Now is the time for them to strike. Cervera should not be allowed to escape. The time has come to go after the Spanish admiral. His fleet should be hemmed in and destroyed where ever it can be found and that without delay.

The Spanish prisoners at Fort McPherson are being guarded by the Twenty-fifth Regiments of colored soldiers. The officers have a separate table, but the privates are required to eat with their guards.

English Colonial Secretary Chamberlain, in a speech, advocated the formation of an offensive and defensive alliance by the United States and Great Britain. This following up the poem of the Poet Laureate of England some weeks ago, is causing a great deal of comment in the newspapers.

## REMENYI DROPS DEAD.

The Great Violinist Expires While Responding to An Encore.

San Francisco, May 16.—Edouard Remenyi, who has held royalty enchanted and has enthralled fashionable audiences all over the world, fell dead last afternoon at the Orpheum Theatre, in this city. It was Remenyi's first appearance on the vaudeville stage. As the great artist appeared and was greeted with tremendous applause he bowed his acknowledgment and seemed immensely pleased at a tumultuous encore.

Remenyi commenced to play "Delibi's Pizzicati." He had just completed a few bars of the difficult fingering when he leaned forward as if to speak to one of the musicians in the orchestra, continuing his piece. He seemed to pause for a minute, and then slowly fell forward on his face. One of the musicians caught him just before he touched the stage and prevented him from rolling off.

All was over. He was carried from the stage and physicians were immediately summoned, but the aged musician was past medical aid.

Edouard Remenyi was born in Hungary 64 years ago. He leaves a widow, son and daughter, who reside in New York.

## WHERE SLEEP THE BRAVE.

Graves of Confederate Dead To Be Decorated Thursday—The Programme.

The annual decoration of the graves of Confederate soldiers at Hopewell Cemetery will take place Thursday May 19, this being the anniversary of the unveiling of the beautiful monument which marks their last resting place.

The exercises will be under the auspices of the ladies of the Confederate memorial association of Christian county. A programme has been arranged which cannot fail to interest all who revere the memory of Southern heroes and cherish their valor and devotion.

While simple and brief the exercises will be in keeping with the occasion. The programme in full is as follows:

Prayer,..... Rev. W. L. Nourse  
Memorial Hymn,..... Choir  
Address,..... Dr. M. B. DeWitt  
Prayer,..... Rev. R. S. Carter  
Benediction,.....

..... Prof. Edmund Harrison  
The members of Ned Merriwether Bivouac and their families will attend in a body.

All Confederate soldiers are invited to attend and participate, and are requested to meet at Latham monument at 2 p. m. sharp and fall in.

All persons desiring to contribute flowers will please deliver them to the committee at the cemetery before 12 o'clock on the 19th inst.

## MILITARY EXAMINATION.

Rigid Inquiry into the Physical Qualifications of Recruits.

The following description of the examination of a recruit, taken from the Courier-Journal, will give a correct idea of the experience of all of the Co. D. boys who "passed."

"When a man enters the recruiting room he is asked his business. If he desires to enlist the Sergeant asks him the following questions:

Your name? Age? Birthday? Birthplace? Residence? Are you a citizen of the United States? What is your object in enlisting?

Having answered all these questions satisfactorily the candidate for enlistment is asked to sign his name. After this formality he is ready for the physical examination. The Sergeant and clerk conduct the man to a rear room. It was the fortune of a reporter to witness one of these examinations, the other day. The candidate for enlistment was an Indiana boy, twenty-one years old. He wanted to fight for his country, he said.

"What branch of the service do you want to join?"

"The heavy artillery."

Very often the first requisite to the examination is a bath. It happens occasionally that a man applies for enlistment who just comes for the purpose of getting a free bath. In this case, however, the bath was unnecessary. The man who was to be examined had taken a bath before applying at the office.

The bath dispensed with he was placed on the scales and weighed. His height to the sixteenth of an inch was next ascertained. Then he was stationed in the far corner of the room while the Sergeant held a card upon which was printed a number of letters. Some of these letters were inverted and arranged in various ways. The candidate was called upon to name these, letters one after another. First both eyes were tested together; then each eye was tested singly and in turn. Having passed the examination for sight, the would-be soldier was called upon to stand a test for deafness. Both ears were tried together. Then each ear was tested. It was done in this way. The Sergeant went into the next room and repeated in a low tone of voice: "I have a wife and three children."

"I have a wife and three children" promptly repeated the candidate. Phrases like these were tried and repeated until the examining officers were satisfied that the boy's ears were all right. Then he was taken to a window where the Sergeant made him open his mouth very wide.

"Now say ah." He said it and satisfied the Sergeant that his throat was all right. Then his teeth were examined. They were all right. Then the Sergeant examined his heart. It was sound. His lungs were all right. All this time the boy was stripped as naked as the day he came into the world.

"Now come out with both arms at once."

The young soldier struck out straight from the shoulder as if he intended to fell an ox. Both arms were given individual tests of the same kind. He was made to work his head; to put his right foot forward with his heel on the ground; to work his toes while his foot was in position. Then he was called upon to raise his foot in the air and work his toes. In a similar manner every muscle, bone and joint of the body were tested.

Then the young man was minutely examined from head to foot, for moles, birth-marks, scars or any other mark. There was not a mark on that boy that was not recorded, even to the vaccination mark. The color of his hair and eyes was also recorded.

Finally the Sergeant said: "You'll do."

"What, do I get to, go?" said the boy as he pranced about the room. "Yes, you'll go. Here take a badge," said the Sergeant suddenly swinging around and handing the boy a box of bright-hued badges. The new man reached for his badge. "Take a green one." He reached for a red one.

"Take a blue one, I mean," and the boy picked out a blue one. "Take a red one." He picked out a red one before it dawned upon him that he was being tested for color-blindness. This over, he put on his clothes. He had passed. He was allowed to return to his home to tell his friends good-bye. The next day he was sent to Chickamauga.

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