

THE OLD WARMIN' PAN.

Nine o'clock and upstairs; oh, the breath-freezing room With its audible silence and tangible gloom!



CHAPTER XIII.—CONTINUED.

But with the edict that no more troops should be sent came comfort to the souls of these bereaved ones.

In no pleasant mood Armstrong mounted and trotted for the east gate. The road was lined with camps and volunteers at drill.

"Oh, some of them might have had Mrs. Stockman's name, sir; but the two or three that I saw were marked M. G."

"Did I happen to meet Mrs. Garrison? Yes, I just saw her aboard the China."

People wondered that day at the speed with which the tall officer, followed by his orderly, clattered away down Market street.

its moorings. The rail of the promenade deck swarmed with faces, some radiant, some tearful. Words of adieu, fluttering kerchiefs, waving hands

CHAPTER XIV.

Mid October. The Queen of the Fleet, the finest transport of the Pacific service, thronged with boys in blue at last ordered on to Manila, lay at the wharf at Honolulu, awaiting her commander's orders to cast loose.

spotless kerchief in fond farewell. Once clear of the narrow entrance the big troopship headed westward toward the setting sun, shook free the reins, as it were, and, followed by less favored craft, sped swiftly on her way.

FOR HIS FRIEND.

James Brown and Harry Lee were the closest of friends. They were painters by trade and unmarried.

AN INSTANCE OF HEROIC SELF SACRIFICE IN THE HUMBLES WALKS OF LIFE.

By something like a miracle he succeeded in his purpose of rescue. When the two men were brought into the Flower hospital in New York, it was discovered that Harry had not received fatal injury.

A SHARP RETORT.

A well-known dean of Norwich tells the following good story against himself:

Some few weeks ago he came to a stile in a field which was occupied by a farm lad, who was eating his bread and bacon luncheon.

The boy made no attempt to allow his reverence to pass, so was duly lectured for his lack of manners.

"You seem, my lad, to be better fed than taught."

"Very likely," answered the lad, slicing off a piece of bacon, "for ye teaches Oi, but Oi feeds meself."

THE MERCIFUL MOTORMAN.

"The fellow coming out of that saloon owes his life to me," said the Brooklyn motorman to the new hand to whom he was teaching the business.

"How's that?" asked the beginner, as he piled all the passengers to the front of the car by a quick movement of the brake.

"One night," explained the motorman, "he was lying helpless across the track, and I resisted, and conquered the temptation."

lana, a safe old tub, if she was slow; but Mrs. Frank looked so pathetic and resigned when this arrangement was suggested that no one had the hardihood to actually dwell upon it, and the senator said it was a shame to think of it.

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Story of the Catubig Fight Is Told in Detail.

SIEGE LASTED FOUR DAYS.

Thirty-one Americans Held 600 Insurgents at Bay.

A RAIN OF SHOT AND SHELL.

Rebels Poured in a Terrific Fire from Rifles and Cannon—When a Relief Party Arrived Only 13 of Our Soldiers Were Alive.

Washington, June 9.—Perhaps the most thrilling incident of the entire Philippine war occurred at Catubig, on the island of Samar, where on April 15 last a party of 31 enlisted men of Company H, Forty-third Infantry volunteers, held at bay a force of 600 insurgents during four days of fierce fighting, reinforcements arriving just in the nick of time.

The war department has received reports from Capt. H. M. Day, of the Forty-third volunteer infantry, and First Lieut. Sweeney, of that regiment, who commanded the rescue party, giving details of the attack, the siege and the relief.

According to these reports the attack on the garrison at Catubig began without warning on April 15. From the hills on all sides, from every point of vantage in the town and from a deserted church directly adjoining came a rifle and cannon fire of terrible intensity.

Here for two more days Corporal Carson, handling his men with the judgment of a veteran, held out under a terrific fire, until Lieut. Sweeney's command which had been sent to Catubig, and was on its way up the river on the steamer Lao-Ang, arrived. Not until within a quarter of a mile of Catubig, says Lieut. Sweeney in his report, did they hear the noise of the engagement.

They were captured by pirates. Hong Kong, June 9.—A steam launch owned by Chinese merchants here, towing four junks laden with kerosene oil from Hong Kong for Canton, was attacked Thursday night by pirates in an armed junk off Cape Sutan, eight miles from Hong Kong.

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