

TOO MUCH IN EARNEST

Soldiers at Camp Alger Injure One Another in a Sham Battle.

MIMIC WAR IS AT AN END

Yesterday's Experience Shows It Is Dangerous.

LIEUTENANT CRISMAN, OF COMPANY G, HAS BEEN APPOINTED ACTING ASSISTANT BRIGADE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL AND LIEUTENANT INGLIS, OF COMPANY D, HAS BEEN SELECTED AS ONE OF GENERAL GOBIN'S AIDES. WHAT THE REGIMENT HAS ACCOMPLISHED SINCE IT LEFT SCRANTON—CHANGES AMONG THE OFFICERS.

Special from a Staff Correspondent.

Camp Alger, Va., June 28.—If the war department doesn't get their forces away from here soon it will need to send on an army of pacification. There were serious conflicts today, in both of which blood was spilled and permanent injuries inflicted. A sham battle was arranged for this morning between the Sixth, Massachusetts, and the other two regiments of the Second brigade, the Eighth, Ohio and the Sixth, Illinois.

The Massachusetts men were to be given an hour's start toward Dunn Loring and were to be attacked there by the other two regiments. The main work of battle was to be maneuvering for strategic points, but, to add a little of the flavor of real war, blank cartridges were given to the men on both sides. On the way to the battle ground, the Massachusetts regiment encountered the Second Brigade of the Second division coming from its practice march to Dillieul Run.

Each command kept its own side of the road and everything went lovely until the rear guard, composed of the Third, Missouri, was reached. They refused to allow the Sixth to pass and when Colonel Wood attempted to push his way through his horse was seized. His men fixed bayonets, dashed forward and waded in. The Missouri's were taken by surprise and gave way after brief resistance.

BADLY CUT WITH BAYONETS.

A colored member of the Sixth was badly cut on the face with a bayonet and a number on both sides were bruised and gashed by musket butts. In the sham battle, an hour later at Dunn Loring, a squad of the luckless Sixth Massachusetts and another from the Eighth Ohio got into a hand-to-hand conflict over the possession of a natural breastwork that both sighted about the same time. Private Harvey Reed, of Company B, Sixth Massachusetts, had his left eye blown out and left ear badly lacerated by a blank cartridge. Captain McDowell, of Company C, same regiment, had the sleeve of his coat turned away and his arm sliced by another blank cartridge discharged from a gun placed within a foot of his face. He threw his arm up none too soon to save his eyesight. Milder warfare at this camp, it is said to say, is at an end.

CHANGE RECOMMENDED.

Major Parke, with the approval of General Gobin, has recommended to General Butler that owing to the excessive heat of mid-day, guard mount be changed from 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon to 9 o'clock in the morning. He also recommended that dress parade take place before supper instead of immediately after, as at present. Another health measure proposed by Dr. Parke was the removal of all the sutters tents and shanties from in front of the Third brigade camp. The Twelfth and Thirteenth regiments would not allow any to be erected near their camps, but Colonel Hoffman, of the Eighth, gave the vendors carte blanche use of the ground opposite his camp. The unsanitary condition of these places and their surroundings are a menace to health, the acting brigade surgeon says, and as they are not a necessary line he believes they should be driven away. General Butler has not as yet acted on the matter.

TWO MONTHS AGO.

Two months ago yesterday the Thirteenth left home for the war. Two brief months, yet the Thirteenth has already accomplished three hundred of the three thousand miles of its journey and all but 800 of its 888 men are thoroughly unformed, equipped, drilled and ready to jump into action at a moment's notice. Should this remarkable rate of progress continue uninterrupted they will be up and doing that which they set out to do, days and days and maybe weeks before their term of enlistment expires. It fairly makes the head swim and brain to reel and various other members and families to do diverse other gymnastic things to stand by and contemplate.

Poisoned Blood

Disagreeable Itching Spread All Over His Body—Sleep Disturbed—Hood's Sarsaparilla Drove Out the Poison and Cured. "I have been poisoned every summer for years. Last summer the poison came out on me worse than ever before. I would frequently be awakened during the night by the itching. I would scratch myself, but instead of being relieved my trouble spread to different parts of my body. I tried various remedies which people recommended to me, but none of them ever helped me. I made up my mind the poison could not be cured until my blood was pure and then I decided to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. While taking the first bottle I felt relieved from the itching. I kept on taking the medicine and it has entirely cured me. I am now on my fourth bottle and I can sleep soundly at night." WILLIAM RAN, 3129 Westmont Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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now at Falls Church. The regiment at present numbers 888 men.

A BIG CHANGE.

Of the forty-five officers and headquarters non-coms who started out with the regiment only twenty-eight of them now appear on the regiment's roster. The change in this regard is strongly shown by the appended contrast:

HEADQUARTERS.

H. A. Coursen, colonel, H. A. Coursen, C. C. Mattes, H. colonel, C. C. Mattes, G. H. Whitney, major, F. W. Stillwell, F. W. Stillwell, major, F. W. A. Wood, L. T. Mattes, adjutant, L. T. Mattes, H. B. Cox, quartermaster, H. B. Cox, C. R. Parke, surgeon major, C. R. Parke, W. E. Keller, asst. surgeon, W. E. Keller, G. A. Blanchard, asst. surgeon, G. A. Blanchard.

NON-COMES.

H. M. Coursen, regt. serg. major, H. R. Lathrop, Ed. Richards, chief musician, T. H. Miles, J. P. Baumister, hospital steward, G. C. Merriman, Isaac Brown, q. m. sergt., Isaac Brown, W. Reed, color sergeant, W. Reed, W. R. Pierce, batt. sergt. major, Albert Davis, batt. sergt. major.

LINE OFFICERS.

Company A—J. O. Dimmick, captain, R. S. Derman, S. S. Derman, 1st lieut., W. E. Hoizer, E. M. Gee, 2nd lieut., John Keith, Company B—J. W. Kambeck, captain, J. W. Kambeck, E. E. Berry, 1st lieut., E. E. Berry, W. C. Scott, 2nd lieut., Geo. Roberts, Company C—Frank Robling, Jr., captain, Frank Robling, Jr., W. A. Raub, 1st lieut., Edw. Burkhouse, D. W. Davies, 2nd lieut., Thos. Murphy, Company D—T. E. Gillman, captain, T. E. Gillman, W. W. Inglis, 1st lieut., W. W. Inglis, A. R. Poole, 2nd lieut., A. R. Poole, Company E—G. A. Smith, captain, G. A. Smith, W. L. Dodge, 1st lieut., W. L. Dodge, H. T. Varcoe, 2nd lieut., H. T. Varcoe, Company F—E. D. Fellows, captain, E. D. Fellows, H. P. Decker, 1st lieut., H. P. Decker, D. G. Davis, 2nd lieut., D. G. Davis, Company G—R. J. McCausland, captain, R. J. McCausland, J. C. Harrington, 1st lieut., J. C. Harrington, Company H—M. B. Crisman, 2nd lieut., M. B. Crisman, Company I—S. W. Corwin, captain, S. W. Corwin, J. L. Huff, 1st lieut., J. L. Huff, J. W. Benjamin, 2nd lieut., J. W. Benjamin.

ONE GRATIFYING FACT.

One of the most gratifying things to be chronicled is the fact that so far it hasn't been found necessary to inflict punishment on a single man of the regiment. There was one session of a court martial to try three or four men who overstayed their pass, but as the severest penalty was a fine of \$1, on one of them, it can be seen that the offenses were not of a very serious nature. As to the efficiency of the regiment, the following congratulation from Major General Butler received last evening, is ample testimony: Headquarters First Division, Second Army Corps, Camp Russell A. Alger, Va., June 27, 1898. Colonel Henry A. Coursen, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. Sir: The major general commanding desires to express to you his satisfaction with the report submitted covering the practice march of the Third brigade to the Potomac river on the 23rd and 24th inst. The attention shown by yourself and the regimental commanders to the details of the march is especially noticeable. The blue-print sketch submitted by Lieutenant Snyder is a most creditable piece of work. The result of the march shows that the Third brigade of Pennsylvania volunteer infantry is in every respect a thoroughly efficient organization. By Command of Major General Butler, F. S. Strong, Assistant Adjutant General.

CHAPLAIN STABH IS DISTRIBUTING TO THE REGIMENT COPIES OF "CROWNED SOLDIER'S" BIBLE.

Chaplain Stahl is distributing to the regiment copies of "Crowned Soldier's" Bible, a little, presented by the American Tract Society. The volume is a page is an interesting index to the scope of the book. The SOLDIERS' POCKET BIBLE, containing the most of not all those places contained in Holy Scripture, which do show the soldier's duty as a Christian man, that is a fit soldier to fight for the Lord's Battle, both before he fight, in the night, and after the fight. Scriptures are reduced to several heads, and fully applied to the soldier's several occasions. It is a book which a soldier cannot conveniently carry about him. It may be also useful for any Christian to meditate upon now in this miserable time of war.

IMPROMPTU EDM. CALAMY.

This book of the Law shall not depart out of thy mouth, but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein; for then thou shalt prosper in all thy ways, and have good success. Josh. 1:8.

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COMMITTEES NAMED.

Pursuant to the provision of the report, President Dale appointed the following committees: To Confer With Railroad Companies—W. G. Thomas, Chairman; Thos. C. Cassidy, Wilkes-Barre; A. P. Trautwein, Carlisle; Adolph Prince, Pottsville; John Parker, Mahanoy City; Isaac Goldsmith, Mt. Carmel; E. M. Jones, Mifflinville. Interstate Commerce—Voris Auten, Mt. Carmel; C. D. Camp, Wilkes-Barre; H. E. Hume, Scranton; W. H. Shuman, Mahanoy City; M. E. Doyle, Shenandoah; F. H. Banker, Pittston; J. P. Helfenstein, Shamokin. Legislation—Colonel Meredith L. Jones, Scranton; D. D. Bolch, Mt. Carmel; Walter Wolf, Ashland; John C. Berner, Freeland; S. B. Price, Hazleton. The appointments were confirmed by the committee on ways and means reported as follows: Your committee on ways and means

and leave his regimental hospital force short-handed, when the position was to be at the best a matter of only a week or two. Colonel Girard told him to continue as he was and not to be sure allow his men to wait for a few days longer. "I am keeping that position open for you," Colonel Girard said. "There was a surgeon sent up here from the war department to take your place but I declined to accept him. You will stay where you are. I want you to have that position."

ONLY ONE LEFT.

The fact that Major Parke is the only one of the acting brigade surgeons left lends some significance to Colonel Girard's words. Notification has come to Major Parke that his appointment as a brigade surgeon has been strongly recommended to General Stenberg. His cousin, General John H. Parke, is a personal friend of General Stenberg and a man of strong influence in the war department. He and Colonel Girard have both asked for Major Parke's appointment and if there is a vacancy there is a good chance of his being selected. At present it would appear the quota of brigade surgeons is filled.

General Gobin, when in Washington yesterday, sought to have his National Guard brigade surgeon, Dr. Harad Halberstadt, appointed, assigned to his staff, but the request was denied by General Stenberg because there was no vacancy existing and none likely to exist for some time. T. J. Duffy.

GOSSIP OF THE CAMP.

From a Staff Correspondent.

Camp Alger, Va., June 28.—The officers of the Thirteenth yesterday received their Khaki suits and today look like East India campaigners. The suits are of a sort of canvas material, light brown in color and trimmed in blue. They make a very neat uniform. Captain Derman is officer of the day and Lieutenant Benjamin commander of the guard.

The band is making excellent progress under the direction of Sergeant Miles, working five hours a day at practice drills. Pottery, assigned to his staff, but the request was denied by General Stenberg because there was no vacancy existing and none likely to exist for some time. T. J. Duffy.

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EVENING SESSION.

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AN AMENDMENT TO THE THIRD CLAUSE.

An amendment to the third clause was offered directing the payment of money by local organizations to the treasurer as may be directed by the executive committee. The amendment was accepted by the committee. Another amendment changing the assignment from \$2 to \$5 was adopted as amended. The secretary was on motion directed to notify each local association that the assessment should be paid at once.

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THE CONVENTION GENERALLY DISAPPROVED.

The convention generally disapproved of the clause on the ground that royalty contracts were of too personal a character to demand interference or comment and the clause was expunged by a vote of a majority, so evident that a division was not called for. Evidently the delegates considered that their business was finished with the adoption of the resolutions as amended. The business that followed was minor in character.

THE MATTER OF RULES WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION.

The convention voted its thanks to the Scranton board of trade to President Dale, whose ability as a presiding officer contributed largely to the success and smoothness of the two meetings, and to the press.

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know the difference between a platoon and a battalion. He, of course, could not begin to do the work of his office, and as it would have been a questionable proceeding on the part of Colonel Coburn to allow his men to wait for a few days longer until Captain Coball could learn the business, it devolved upon common ordinary volunteers of twenty years' experience in military work to attend to the duties for which the president's political friend's personal friend was being paid \$150 a month. And, as if all that wasn't enough, the captain brought on his younger brother and appointed him to the \$1,200-a-year position of commissary clerk. They have been transferred to the second brigade of the first division, which is scheduled to leave for Santiago within the next few days. If the volunteers in that command should take it upon themselves to decline to do the work of the commissary, it would be interesting to know how those 3,000 men will subsist in Cuba while the commissary of subsistence and his school-boy brother are learning "the difference between a platoon and a battalion."

Assistant Cook Alex. Major, of Company C, returned this morning from a week's furlough. Private Willard Lathrop, of Company A, leaves for home tomorrow on a week's furlough. T. J. Duffy.

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