

MEMBERS OF THE REGIMENT POISONED

THOUGHT TO IMPROVE THE CONDITION OF THEIR BLOOD.

Ate Some Wild Herbs and for a Time Were in a Very Serious Condition—Enforcement of Regulations Ordered to Prevent the Wearing of Fantastic Uniforms. Concerts Given by the Thirtieth Regiment Band Are Popular with the People of Augusta.

Special to The Tribune.

Camp Young, Augusta, Ga., Nov. 24.—The boys of the Thirtieth have been so far having a respite from all kind of drills, but instead of that special military duty, they were called out by companies Monday morning with axes, shovels, picks, hatchets and rudely constructed crowbars, and all were set to work chopping and pulling up all roots which projected above the level of the ground. This was rendered almost absolutely necessary as at night time a person could not move in any direction without his feet coming in contact with such roots and thereby running the risk of receiving a fall, if not a certain amount of bodily injury. This was rendered almost absolutely necessary as at night time a person could not move in any direction without his feet coming in contact with such roots and thereby running the risk of receiving a fall, if not a certain amount of bodily injury.

Sunday evening at 5 o'clock the regimental band, under the leadership of Sergeant T. H. Miles, gave a concert in the open space behind headquarters. It was intended for an informal affair, but in a short time a large and appreciative audience had gathered. Many of the well-to-do fashionable people of Augusta, taking advantage of the pleasant evening, enjoyed a drive to camp at that hour, and hearing the Thirtieth's band playing some of its choicest selections reined up and listened with delight. Very soon, despite orders even, the wide road between both brigades was blocked with stylish carriages of every description, while nearer still had gathered a large, varied audience of both white and colored people, of soldiers and of citizens.

REGULATIONS ENFORCED. For some time it has been the custom of the men of the different regiments to don whatever articles of clothing came to hand. The warm weather here tempted many to begin once more to wear the khaki trousers. These were worn with the blouse, or with the blue shirts. Others bought red, white and blue or yellow cords, which they tied around their campaign hats by way of adornment; while others still invested in some non-regulation badge, buttons or medals. It is proposed to reduce such military non-conformists to the proper style of clothing and adornment and have a thorough similarity in dress throughout. To this end Acting Division Commander Gobin has had a stringent order issued. As this order gives the provost marshal unlimited authority, and as the provost guard is spread like a network in every direction, it is very probable that this habit which is complained of will quickly be abandoned. Sunday afternoon eighteen or nineteen members of Company A had a severe case of poisoning. They were out in the woods looking for holly, mistletoe and sugar cane, in which this region abounds. They met a farmer who went around with them and found

some root, suspected of being either belladonna or wild carrot root. He told them it was good for the blood and they began to eat it. Ten or fifteen minutes after some of them began to feel strong pains in their stomachs. They were hardly able to walk home, and after they got to camp they were so sick that they had to receive medical treatment at once. Privates Calvin Mauer, Thomas Coyne, Frederick Koch and Melvin Walters suffered most and for a time they were in an agony of pain.

WERE SERIOUSLY ILL.

They were attacked by racking convulsions and vomited for nearly an hour. Doctor Keller, Merriman and Blanchard administered hypodermic injections, which quieted the patients somewhat. They are all right now. So strong were the poisonous qualities of the root that it affected Major Keller somewhat, even though he merely sank his teeth in it in order to test it and ascertain what it was. Hereafter the boys will be more careful and will do well not to experiment with unknown fruits or roots. It is a noticeable fact that every time the mail bags leave here now they are filled to the top. The returns are not quite so liberal.

Several of the boys while at work today tied bottles to their ankles—this in imitation of the chin gams. Yesterday Lieutenants Burkhouse and Murphy, of C company, were in Augusta as the guests of Sheriff O'Connor of this—Richmond—county, and of Mayor Patrick Walsh, who was formerly United States senator from Georgia. There is much complaint against the commissary. The supply of fresh meat is chiefly conspicuous by its absence. Salt pork and beans seem to be the only rations issued so far. The boys earnestly desire a change in this respect. Richard J. Bourke.

UNION SERVICES IN THE CHURCHES

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adorned with large bouquets. The pastor, Rev. J. B. Sweet, was in charge and the church choir, led by chorister W. W. Jones, sang several anthems.

The service was opened with the reading of a scripture lesson by Rev. Thomas DeGruchy, pastor of the Jackson street Baptist church. The lesson was the one hundred and third psalm. Rev. S. F. Matthews, pastor of the Scranton street Baptist church, offered prayer. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. P. Moffatt, pastor of the Washburn street Presbyterian church. His text was "O Give Thanks Unto the Lord; for He is Good; for His Mercy Endureth Forever;" Psalm 136—1. His sermon in part was as follows:

MR. MOFFATT'S SERMON. Thanksgiving Day is peculiarly a New England institution. About two hundred and fifty-six years ago Massachusetts enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner with the Puritans. Ten years later Governor Bradford's small colony gave thanks for their deliverance from starvation. Congress ordered a day for national Thanksgiving during the Revolutionary war. Washington recommended a similar day when the Constitution was adopted. President Lincoln declared a day for national Thanksgiving during the Civil war. Since that time each year sees a similar proclamation by our president. Of late years each governor of the several states issues a proclamation to that effect. Today we are carrying out both the president's and governor's proclamations which set aside this day for the purpose of giving thanks. Thus we see that the limited purpose of the original day has now enlarged to national proportions. In our history we have departed somewhat from the austere observance of the early settlers and are apt to enjoy our day in a more superficial manner, forgetting the Great Giver, who does not forget.

Today we have much to be thankful for. First, for spiritual blessings. The brightest day for mankind was when the message came from the angels at Bethany. Second, for moral blessings. Those blessings which help us to remember God and his good gifts to man. Third, for the Word of God. Therein He teaches us how to live and enjoy His blessings. Through His word we are given many promises for our present and future life. The blessings and, indeed, the existence of this republic itself will be guarded and secured by cherishing the Bible.

THE BIBLE HELPS. Let us, as a Protestant nation, recognize from whence our blessings come, and with thanksgiving in our hearts for those blessings take no uncertain stand in regard to the most vital question. I call your attention to the recent sermon read down by Judge H. M. Edwards, agent of the Waverly school case. The Bible helps us to keep our minds clear and our hearts pure. We should return thanks as a great nation. We marvel at the accomplishments of the seven great empires of the world in an unbroken day. But we, at today, live in an age unequalled in the history of the world, and we live in a nation able to accomplish in the history of the world, the greatest mission of the world. We speak of the great mission of a civilized nation can have and what we carry. He concluded in directing his hearers to be grateful for the much we already have, for what by right action will come in the future, and return thanks with all our hearts to Him who gives all things to his beloved.

NORTH END UNION SERVICES. Were Held in the North Main Avenue Baptist Church. All the churches of the North End, the "Wells" church excepted, united in a Thanksgiving service yesterday morning in the North Main Avenue Baptist church, where the sermon was preached by Rev. Horace Peckover, pastor of the Puritan Congregational church, West Market street.

Though the attendance was large and occupied nearly all the seats, it would have been larger but for the disagreeable weather, that part of the city being a section of magnificent distances as far as church-going is concerned. Flags and plants were used for decorating the auditorium. The choir rendered effective service, its selections of song being especially fitted to the occasion and well sung.

Rev. W. J. Watkins, pastor of the leading prayers were offered respectively by Rev. George E. Guild, of the Providence Presbyterian, and Rev. William Edgus, of the Providence Methodist churches. The scripture reading was by Rev. John Kowalski, of Emanuel Lutheran church. Rev. Mr. Peckover pronounced the benediction. The offering, which was a very substantial one, was for the Home for the Friendless.

Mr. Peckover's text was Psalm, xxxiv:3: "O, magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt His name together." He said, in substance: "In view of God's greatness, of His blessings, of the goodness, of the munificence with which He has manifested toward a sinful people, it is meet and proper that we should unite in a general chorus of praise to His great name. There is nothing doubtful in the process, nothing which clouds us in so doing, nothing to prevent its being done in unison, forgetting self and individuality. We are simply called upon to exalt Him and not our theories, codes, laws, Bible or anything else. Our thanks go out to only an omnipotent, glorious, God. "Magnify the Lord." How can we make Him appear greater than he is? We can make more room for Him in our hearts, make more of Him in our lives. We can exalt Him, lift Him up, intensify our reverence for His holy name.

"For this magnification and exaltation there is more than one poignant reason, first, because of what He is. He is so great, so much above any material conception, so much above any fact or fancy, that the largest and the highest that is His. Second, Christ himself has exalted Him, proclaiming Him the one great need of the church and the world. Third, our exaltation is due as an expression of the gratitude which we should feel for what He has done for us.

"We have to be thankful for so many things that their beginning is doubtful and their ending indefinite. He has given the United States a harvest bountiful and running over, the surplus being great enough to supply a large part of the world's demands. He has continued one of our greatest and greatest benefactors, America's free institutions. "The war and its issues have been incomparable blessings, bringing enlarged opportunities for the race that leads the world, liberating an oppressed people and reconciling the North and the South beyond severance.

PERSONAL THANKS. "Each individual has something to be thankful for personally, for blessings at home and domestic life, perhaps. The lives of the old and of the little children who cheer our way have been safely in His keeping. The friends and relatives of those who have passed away during the year rejoice in the strength that their loved ones have safely home after having fought the great fight and achieved the victory.

"Some of us have had losses of one kind or another, or business reverses, perhaps, but we give thanks for the promise of brighter days in the days to come. No grief, no disappointment, but what is tempered with God's great mercy. "The observance of Thanksgiving Day is not without its moral lesson. It gives us anticipation and strength and courage to live for the thanksgiving above when we are all gathered home and when the world's harvest is reaped and its battles fought."

GREEN RIDGE SERVICES. Were Held in the Presbyterian Church at 10.30 a. m. A union service was conducted in the Green Ridge Presbyterian church at 10.30 o'clock a. m. One of the features was the lifting of a Thanksgiving offering for two of the city's most deserving charities, the Home for the Friendless and the Home for the Aged. The congregation filled the spacious church to overflowing, the music, specially arranged for the occasion, was of an elaborate character and the service throughout was deeply devout and hearty. The reading of the president's Thanksgiving proclamation and prayer by Rev. A. F. Chaffee, of the Ashbury Methodist Episcopal church, were among the exercises.

The sermon was by Rev. W. J. Ford, of the Mounsey Avenue Baptist church. He said in part: When I learned, one week ago, that I was to contribute the offering to our union service I began to ask what shall the message be? What message is most needed at this time? Shall it be one of gratification of past national achievements and prediction of future greatness? Is that needed, when for months past our pulpit has echoed with thousands of wars? Our sermons have rained over with patriotism. There are members of our congregations who can tell more of the doings and doings of Roosevelt, Hobson, Dewey, Sampson and Schley and the other heroes of the late war than they can of the sayings of Peter, and Paul, and John, and even the "holy" scriptures. Now that this young giant of the nations is coming into a consciousness of his struggle and flushed with victories is stretching forth his arms and grasping the globe, I say that there is need that some one should whisper the words of our brave naval captain, spoken to his crew as the fleet of "Olympus" was sinking: "Don't cheer, men, the poor fellows are dying." It was this spirit which caused Grant to return to Lee his ill-rendered sword.

NO TIME FOR BOASTING. No time is there for boasting, but we should rather, humbled by the new responsibilities that have been thrust upon us, take our place among the great nations of the world with becoming modesty and quiet strength. But there is still less need for a pessimistic message which shall single out all the faults and shortcomings of our nation, threaten our nation and magnify the difficulties by which we are confronted. It would be a strange war to return thanks for blessings received from an unworthy the name of American citizens if we left an ear to these prophets of doom and refused to believe in the future of this nation, and, as in the past, so now in the present, and on into the distant future God will ever lead a willing people in the path of blessing. While in doubt as to the character of the message there came to mind a subject uttered by a man of God, honored by every citizen of Scranton, resident of either of our denominational affiliations. He said: "When I entered the ministry a boy my father told his hand on my shoulder one day and said to me, my boy, there will come times when you will not know what to preach about; you will rattle your head and the looks in your library and still find no rest. Take my advice, go before your people and talk to them on the subject of religion."

I offer thanks for following the advice of that old Presbyterian elder and coming before you this Thanksgiving Day to talk upon the subject of religion. CALLED FOR SOLDIERS. Our country was called for soldiers and they have never been wanting. Today he calls for true, earnest, pure men. And again the truest patriots will respond. That man is as much a traitor to his country in the time of war, who will not respond to her call for the life that will most conduce to her honor, as he who, in times of war, refuses to die in his country's defense. It is true, as a conversation with a Swiss peasant about the functions of the popular assembly which regulates the affairs of the Canton, during which he asked if it were not time that all citizens had the right of attending and voting in the assembly. "It is not so much their right," replied

the peasant, "as their duty." It is that conception of citizenship which has enabled little Switzerland to teach the nations of the world important lessons in freedom and good government. Private citizenship is a public trust. If people learn to love their country, if their vision is raised above the petty circle of their personal and family interest to appreciate the true worth and splendor of national life as a thing which not only embraces all of us that are now living and grouped in a great body, seeking common ends, but reaches back into the immemorial past and forward into the mysterious future, it elevates the conception of citizenship, it fills the sheath of empty words with a keen-edged sword. It helps men to rise above party-views and to feel their exercise of citizenship a sacred trust.

It is true, as Dr. Parkhurst has said: "There is a holy pride which, as Christian citizens, we are bound to experience, not simply to present intellect the best which has come to us from the past, but to pass it on enlarged by fresh increments of wealth and beauty, so that fifty years hence to be an American shall not only mean all that it meant fifty years ago but all of that with a tremendous access of meaning and Christian citizenship be held with men of personal kindness. The moral is to be to ourselves, which is but as Christians, best as men, best as lovers of mankind. God bless our nation! God bless our state, and may His spirit mingle in us."

IN OTHER CHURCHES. Rev. Rogers Israel preached at the 10.30 a. m. service in St. Luke's Episcopal church yesterday morning. There was a service at 7.30 when Holy Communion was celebrated. Masses were celebrated at St. Peter's cathedral at 6.30, 7 and 8 o'clock yesterday morning. Rev. J. J. B. Peckley celebrated the mass at 10.30 and delivered a short sermon with reference to Thanksgiving. In Grace Lutheran church Rev. Foster U. Gift spoke in the morning on the topic "A Nation Proudly Grateful and Sincerely Thankful." In St. Paul's Catholic church, Green Ridge, three masses were celebrated. Rev. P. J. McManus preached an appropriate sermon.

AVOCA. His many friends in this town were grieved to learn of the death of John Keegan, which occurred on Tuesday evening at Mercy hospital. Deceased had been a resident of this town for several years and commanded the respect and esteem of all who formed his acquaintance. The following delegates from the Y. M. C. will attend the obsequies at Archbold this morning: John Conroy, L. E. O'Brien, Richard McNulty, M. F. Ryan, Thomas Dunn, Michael McGowan. From the C. M. E. A.: M. F. O'Brien, M. T. Whalen, Henry Jennings, William Walsh, Patrick Sammon, Patrick McGowan.

On Wednesday evening about twenty guests were entertained at residents on Grove street who could not so readily part with the fowl. This is becoming an almost nightly practice in this town. Company H, of Pittston, will give an exhibition drill at the State fair this evening. Several valuable articles will also be changed off. P. E. Powderly, of Carbondale, called on friends in town yesterday.

The damp weather of yesterday did not dampen the enthusiasm of the foot ball teams that assembled on the white-robed field on the West Side to test their skill after several weeks' training. The field was almost surrounded with spectators and nearly all remained until the game was over. In the beginning the Plains team was doing excellent work, but the Avoca fellows would not be thus outdone and so went to work with a vengeance. The snow formed an excellent pad and at times completely buried them. This accounts for there being no broken bones. Darkness put an end to the pleasant scene and the game was declared a tie. In the evening the visitors were pleasantly entertained by the members of the High school.

E. R. Howard spent yesterday at Painted Post, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Kellam are visiting friends in Susquehanna county. A number of mischievous boys are in the habit of congregating in the post-office every evening during the distribution of the mails. They use the most offensive language, indulge in pugilistic encounters and expel one another on the floor. The postmistress will invoke the aid of the police if these rude practices are indulged in much longer.

The Extent of It. A lawyer, trying to serve his client by throwing suspicion on a witness in the case, in the course of his cross-examination said: "You have admitted that you were at the prisoner's home every evening during all this time?" "Yes, sir," replied the witness. "Where you and he interested in any business together?" "Yes, sir," answered the man, unhesitatingly. "Ah! Now you will be good enough to tell us how and to what extent, and what the nature of this business was, in which you and he were interested?" "Well, I have no objection to telling. I was courting his daughter."—Baltimore News.

France's Volcano. France's single active volcano is a low, broad hill, 400 feet high, near Decazville, in the Department of the Aveyron. The crater sends out thick clouds of smoke and burning lava is seen at the bottom of the fissure. If a stick be thrust into the ground, it catches fire, smoke, sparks, and sometimes flame proceeding from the hole.—Pittsburg Bulletin.

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Holiday Talk

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It's too early to speak in detail of the many lines, so only this mention of some of the exclusive stores that were gathered by our buyer while on the continent during the summer, and which are now receiving here, for the first time, the light of day on American soil. There are Bronzes, Leathers and Dresden from Germany; Hand-Painted Toilet Articles, Nic-Nacs and Jewelry from France; Ivory, Cut Glass, Silver and Gun Metal Novelties from England. All the important art centers of the old world have representatives in this veritable pan-municipal show. It's a duty owing to yourself to see this vast collection of Statuettes, Busts, Vases, Toilet Things and Table Articles.

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