IMPROVEMENTS AT CAMP M'KENZIE

EVERYTHING DONE IS OF A SUBSTANTIAL CHARACTER.

Prospects of the Regiment-They Are Again Being Discussed With Great Eagerness by the Officers and Men - Soldiers Are Sending Souvenirs to Their Families in the North-Holly, Mistletoe and Cotton the Camp Gossip.

Special to The Tribune. Camp MacKenzie, Augusta, Ga., Dec. 20.-With the more recent improve-ments which have taken place here, own regimental camp. The kitchens and the mess halls have been comstructures certainly are not designed as temporary. The best and costilest lumber has been used, and every possible care has been taken to make these buildings as substantial and as complete in every detail as possible.

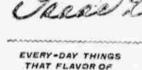
The advert of the electric lights, however, brings about the greatest change, The camp of the Thirteenth is now entirely one reled with them, and the headquarters and company streets are almost as bright every evening now as Lackawanna avenue. This is decidedly a change for the better, and is appro-ciated by the men, especially when they

are doing a tour of goard duty. "Home or Cuba?" This is the question which is now puzzling the heads of thousands at this camp. It is not discussed by the enlisted men alone, but by the officers, from the lowest up to the very highest. A conclusion on the question, one way or the other, is not an absolute certainty, and must be deduced from scattered facts and circumstances, rather than from any alesolute order. Major Harmon, the chief ordnance officer of the corps, has returned from Washington, and he states that it was determined positively by the war department some time age that this division would surely go to Cuba, a resolution which, he says, has never yet been changed even in the slightest

ANOTHER STRAW.

Another straw which to some shows how the wind blows, is the instructions of Colonel Howard, the corps quartermaster, to the officers of the regimental commissaries. He directed that they should at once send in their full requisitions for clothing and all kinds of equipage for the next three months. In addition to this, when he gave orders that all such issues should be carefully looked into and verified, and when Conimissary Sergeant Wormser desired to pital. return a surplus of summer clothing which the members of the Thirteenth have had no need for, Colonel Howard SENTENCE IN THE told him that, as the regiment was positively booked for Cuba, all such light clothing would soon be a neces-

These side-lights, thrown on our future prospects, may be taken for



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ISAAC LONG. 73 and 75 Public Square. directed Major Keller to have a full statement of the accounts of the Thirteenth regiment's hospital ready for submission and inspection on the first lay of January. Major Keller has also made a regulation for whatever is still seeded by the department in his charge, and for \$500 in cash for the next six months for all such incidentals and delicacies as are insured to patients by the latest regulations governing regi mental hospitals. With this fund on hand, there will be no fear of many of the drawbacks which have heretoforexisted on account of the lack of funds.

A THRIVING INDUSTRY. There is one industry in camp which now almost supersedes everything else, Blossoms are Plentiful - Some of that is, sending souvenirs of the "sunny South" to friends in the North. This country, within a distance of a mile or we from camp, abounds in cotton blossoms, holly and mistletoe, and the boys are taking advantage of this fact, and are daily sending home boxes of these mementoes of Christmas which, this one, who would be away for a few days. time, more than ever before, will be might have trouble in recognizing his prized by many families in Northeast-

ern Pennsylvania. Company Clerk Charles Constantine pleted, and the latter are particularly of H, returned to his company last fine. The lumber is furnished by a night, after an absence of nine weeks large planing mill in Augusta, and the on account of sickness. He succumbed to an attack of fever at Camp Meade, and on October 9 had to be removed to St. Clare's Infirmary, Harrisburg, where the fever began to develop more fully. For a time he was quite low, but he fortunately came out all right. He was given a sick furlough the day the regiment left Camp Meade for this place. His health was never better than it is at present, and he received a genuinwelcome on his return to his company last evening.

The members of Company F have beautified their street by planting throughout the entire distance, a hedge of Georgia pines, Spanish bayonets and cotton plants. The work is very artistically done, and all are proud of its attractiveness.

First Sergeant Parry, of H, was in Augusta today, and was deeply impressed with the beauty of the famous Confederate soldiers' monument Broadway

PERSONAL NOTES.

Corporal Lewis Carter and Brigade Orderly Richard Thomas, of A. left last evening on a two days' furlough for city of Atlanta, where a peace jubilee is now in progress.

Private H. B. Jones, of G. who had been detailed to division headquarters as stenographer, has been honorably discharged from the service. He received his papers today, and expects to leave tomorrow for his home in Mont-

The tent of Lieutenant John Keith, A, caught on fire this morning, and was quickly burned to the ground. Fortunately no valuables were destroyed, as the boys rendered prompt aid.

Privates Isaac Mills and Clarence Siebring, of H. lately transferred to the United States army hospital corps,have been attached to the Thirteenth hos-Richard J. Bourke.

CONTEMPT CASE

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what they are worth. At the same time it may be stated that there are many of the higher officers who are still convinced of the probability of the troops here being mustered out in a few months, without going any farther than Camp MacKenzie.

Colonel James M. Allison commissary general of the Second army corps, has answer as follows: answer as follows: "By the advice of counsel, I decline to answer the ques-tions as put in detail for the following

QUALIFIED VOTER.

First-Having had at the general lection for the year 1897 all the qualielection for the year 1897 all the qualifications prescribed in Section 1 of Article 8 of the Constituion of Pennsylvania, and having been duly registered and my vote having been cast without challenge, and the same having been duly returned and counted, this court has no jurisdiction to declare it an illegal vote, and the question is therefore immaterial and not relevant to the issue in this proceeding.

Second—I did not give or promise or offer to give to an elector any money, reward, or valuable consideration for

offer to give to an elector any money, reward, or valuable consideration for his vote at the general election in Lackawanna county, or in the state of Pennsylvania for the year 1897, or for withholding the same, nor did I give or promise to give such consideration to any other berson or party for such elector's vote, or for the withholding thereof: nor did I receive or agree to receive for myself or for another, any money, reward, or valuable consideration for my vote at the said election,

or for the withholding the same Third-I did pay to sundry individuals various sums of money previous to the general election of 1897, for their services in making lists of voters, assist-ing in getting voters to the polls on the day of election, and disseminating information in regard to the candidates who were to be voted for at that election, but for no other purpose. If it would be considered that such payments were illegal and would subject me to any penalties, punishments or forfeitures, then I decline to give any specific answers to questions as to de-tails of the dates and amounts of said payments, or to whom made, for the reason that such answers might tend to criminate me, and would compel me to give evidence against myself as to the persons and circumstances, that might be used against me in the prose-cution. And upon this I claim the pro-tection of the bill of rights of the Con-stitution of Pennsylvania and the pro-visions of the Constitution of the United States."

REPORTED TO COURT. Having made such answer, the com-missioners aforesaid reported same to court, and the court thereupon directed that an attachment should issue against said John Gibbons to show cause why he should not be attached as in demand of court, having refused to answer spe-cifically and in detail the questions put to him before the said commissioners.

Upon return of the rule and argument thereon the rule was made absolute and an attachment directed to issue. The attachment was issued, upon which John Gibbons was arrested and brought before the court and committed to the county jail for contempt in refusing to answer before the commissioners as above set forth.

Your petitioner is now in the custody of the sheriff, and prays that a writ of habeas corpus as above specified be is-sued, for the following reasons: First—The sole object of the ques-tions asked of the petitioner being to

invalidate his vote under the provis-ions of Section 8, Article 8, of the Con-stitution, and it being admittedly proven that he voted at the election of 1897 and at that time had all the constitutional qualifications required by Sec-tion I of Article 8 of the Constitution and had complied with the statutory conditions as to registration, the court below had no jurisdiction to declare petitioner's vote illegal, and the questions were therefore immaterial and

Second—The provisions of Section Second—The provisions of Section 8 of Article 8 only operate as a penalty on the voter, and if the penalty be not enforced by the election board the forfeiture of the right to vote does not take effect, the vote deposited is a legal vote and cannot be excluded from the count. If the court has no authority to proute it can be no contempt to refuse inquire it can be no contempt to refuse

c answer. Third—The petitioner is protected in his refusal to answer, on the ground that it would incriminate himself, by the bill of rights of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and by the provisions of the Constitution of the United States.

ANSWER OF PETITIONER. Fourth—The answer of the petitioner specifically denying that he did any of the acts forbidden by Section 8 of Ar-ticle 8 is all that can in any case be required, and the refusal to answer further is not a contempt of court.
Fifth—The alleged contempt was not committed in open court and cannot therefore be punished by imprisonment.
He therefore prays that the writ in this case may issue agreeable to the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided, and as in duty bound he will ever pray, etc.

The subject matter of the petition was argued at length by Mr. Burns and R. H. Biolgate who opposed the granting of the writ.

Judge Smith after listening to them said he would give his decision thus morning with reference to the writ and in the meantime released Mr. Gibbons on \$1,000 bail, his attorney becoming his bondsman.

WILL OF GEORGE S. PARRISH.

His Estate Left to His Executor in Trust. The will of the late George S. Parrish

was filed and probated at Wilkes-Barre last week and leaves all his estate to his executor in trust as follows: First-To pay to his grandson, George F. Parrish, \$1.000.

F. Parrish, 31,000.

Second.—To each of his children: Nellie
B. Freeman, Georgie, Esther M., Ernest
L., Justin E. and his daughter-in-law,
Alice C. Parrish, wife of Harry E., \$1,000.

Third—Daughter Esther M. to use and occupy his house and lot, corner Park avenue and Northampton street, and reelvo \$2,000 annually as long as she re mains unmarried.

Fourth-Subject to the foregoing provisions, the whole of the estate is to be

neld in trost, including all insurance moneys, rents or royalties, stocks, for the use and benefit of his children, Justin Parrish, Ernest L. Parrich, Nellie

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kept spreading until it was all over my body. I could not sleep but was compelled to lie awake and scratch all the time. My father and two brothers were afflicted with the same thing, at the same time. We all suffered terribly for a year and a half, trying in the meantime all the remedies we could find, but received no benefit. I bought three cakes of CUTICURA SOAP and three boxes of CUTICURA (cintment) and they cured the four of us completely. RICH'D ANDERSON, Geneva, Utah.

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