#### THE FOREST REPUBLICAN

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No MATTER how destructive the new British shells may be, an ounce of generalship is worth a ton of lyddite.

GEN, GATACRE realizes now that he is not dealing with the same kind of an enemy he overcame in India and Egypt. Gov. TAYLOR, of Kentucky, has taken

of the people. GENERAL LAWTON, one of the ablest of the American officers in the Philippines, was shot in battle, dying instantly, near

Manilla last Saturday. GEORGE WASHINGTON'S obituary notices were written in a fervent strain, but at the end of a hundred years not a word would be changed unless to make it stronger.

Ir would seem, judging by current events, that our war with Spain was singularly free from serious mistakes. The leading British error appears to be an underestimate of the enemy.

As Aguinalno dodges from place to place he continues to express faith in the success of the Democratic party. If he can keep this up until next year, he will be an interesting feature of the campaign.

CHINA, Mex co, and the Central American States are about the only countries left with a silver standard, and yet there are a few men found who have hardihood to insist that the Democrats must make the silver issue the chief plank in their platform again.

NEITHER Congress nor the President will be, as stated by some papers, embarrassed by the Boer sympathy resolution iniroduced by Senator Mason. It is only a little piece of spectacular performing on Mr. Masons part, and he himself does not expect any result from it other than attracting attention to Senator Mason.

SECRETARY LONG proposes for the coming year an addition to the navy consisting of three immense armored cruisers, three protected cruisers larger than any in the navy, and twelve gunboats sheathed for foreign service. These cruisers will add to our ships of the Brooklyn and New York type, a fact that establishes their undoubted value.

Hon, W.C. Arnold of DuBois is an ex-Congressman but he appears not to have lost any influence in Washington. He succeeded in having the free delivery system established in Ridgway in opposition to the rules of the P. O. Department. Arnold is a good one.-Kane Republican. And the people are just about going to demand his services as Congressman-at-large from this State next year.

THE Philadelphia Press says that Congressman A. Gaston doesn't like his job. It says: "At home he is an active business man, and the dilatory methods of the Hou e do not suit him. 'This is about the reasnest job I ever had,' he said. 'This sitting around for five or six hours is thresome and at times I feel like hours is tiresome, and at times I feel like quitting the whole thing,' "

Mr. Gaston's experience is that of ninetenths of all new members, He'll feel differently by the middle of next June or July, and argue with himself that i wasn't such a bad job after all.

THE affixer of U.S. revenue stamps besides writing or a amping thereon with ink the initials of his name and the 'ate after December 15 will be required to cut "three parallel incessions lengthwise through the stamp beginning not more than one-fourth of an fuch from one end thereofand extending to within one-fourth of an nuch of the other end." This regulation applies to documentary stamps of they have to pay more for groceries or any lation applies to documentary stamps of the value of ten cents or more, the commissioner of internal revenue being of missioner of internal revenue being of the only exception of sweet potatoes, yams the opinion that no one is quite mean and oranges. For road work they only enough to use again stamps of smaller value than a dime.

ONE by one the leaders of the Filipino rebellion are dropping off by death or capture. The killing of Gen. Gregario del Pilar, the commander of Aguinaldo's bodyguard, whic has just been reported, is a serious blow to the rebels. It also indicates that the Americans have been, and probably are still, pretty close on Auninaldo's heels. Nebody need be surslippery as he is, should be captured any day. Luzon is a big island, but the part of the island which is open to Aguinaldo is rapidly shrinking. It is plain that the

ural consequence there is joy in the big light and feel very comfortable all the time. The nights are very pleasant and rejoice at being honored with the convention that will again place William McKinley in nomination for the Presidency.
His election in Novamber by a most when the water is rough we hear the noise of the waves on the shore. To the sweeping majority is, of course, a fore-

countrymen, that "Cuba can avoid chaos and disorder only as she is willing to put aside vain ideas of empty independence, and the countrymen, that "Cuba can avoid chaos and disorder only as she is willing to put aside vain ideas of empty independence, and the countrymen, that "Cuba can avoid chaos and disorder only as she is willing to put aside vain ideas of empty independence, and the countrymen, that "Cuba can avoid chaos and disorder only as she is willing to put aside vain ideas of empty independence," and to recognize her true position as a under cultivation and fine residences part of the great democratic Republic of part of the great democratic Republic of the United States." This is the right Surely rich land of this kind cannot long ment. Such talk from prominent Cubans rule; only think, not ten per cent. of the sort of talk for the Cubans at this mowill be heard oftener and oftener as time passes. Annexation sentiment in the land in Pennsylvania; a climate that island is undoubtedly growing among its more intelligent citizens. The foreigners, of course, Spaniards, as well as Americans, Germans and Exglish, have all tire your readers with this letter, as I cans, Germans and Exglish, have all the your readers with this sentiment is increasing rapidly

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CHAS, S. LEECH. this sentiment is increasing rapidly among the natives now. It must continue to grow as the industries of the island are rehabilitated, as prosperity extends, and and as the benefits of American sway become plain—Globs Demograt. come plain .- Globe-Democrat.

#### Letter From Porto Rico.

The Marienville Express of last week publishes an interesting letter from Chas. s. Leech, who moved with his family from that place to Rorto Rico about three months ago. Mr.Leech touches on so many points in his letter that we feel ers that we re-produce it entire, as follows: We have been keeping house here now for three weeks and I will try to give you and your readers some idea of how we are living. Our place is seven miles from San Juan and one mile from Rie Piedras, a town of probably five thouhis seat and his administration will comsand inhabitants, although to pass through mand the respect due the honest choice it you would not think that there were more than one thousand at the most. We have three acres of ground fronting on the military road, and running back to the San Juan R. R. The military road was spoken of by me in a former letter; it runs from San Juan across the mountains to Ponce on the south of the island; is a macadam road its entire length of eighty one miles. The travel on this road is simply immense, all the hauling for the supply of the country towns and people being done by oxsteams hitched to two wheeled ox carts, and by pack ponies which carry into the interior where there are only trails instead of roads. Then there are the government trains, consisting of four mules bitched to American vagons, which haul the supplies for the soldiers stationed in the interior towns. Carriages drawn by small Porto Rican ponies, carrying people to the interior towns and to Ponce; many natives travelnight, and in fact all night you hearthem going. This is a very fine road for bicyfrom San Juan to Rie Piedras, and has & Killmer. fourteen trains each way per day, com-

> Congress places the island under a proper government. Our house sets back from the road sixty | Armtsrong's. feet. There is a drive way comes in from the front and runs around the house, and three walks lead back from the house to the back end of lot and the railroad. In front of the house the space is occupied by a flower garden; the drive way and walks a flower garden; the drive way and walks lst, 1900; good for return passage to Jan. are all skirted by flower trees, cocoanut palm trees, coffee plants, because plants. palm trees, coffee plants, banana plants, pine apple plants, orange trees, bread fruit trees. The flowers are blooming all the time; we pick many boquets every day, but you cannot see that it makes any difference in the supply. I cannot name the different kinds, but many are the sa ne as we have potted in the States, but here they grow to the size of small trees or rather sapling, and have flowers con-tinually budding and blooming. There are some fifteen cocoanut palm trees bearing cocoanuts, and possibly about two hundred about three years old, and will hundred oanana plants, with only four that have fruit on now, but in a month or two the half or more will have truit on.
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> Inchess will be closes and the closes are that have fruit on that have fruit on. The coffee was picked a month before we same, but there are coffee plants enough to supply one family with coffee. The pine apple plants will commence to ripen fruit in February, and I think there are probably a thousand plants on the grounds.

orange and we buy them in small quantities at less than five cents a dozen. Since coming out we have planted many vegetables and they are all up now and growing ni.ely. We will soon have fresh we will soon have fresh vegetables from our own garden.

We are having our lot cleaned up, everything hoed by two native workmen, and I must say I have never had men do thing in the estable or dress line than the same can be bought for in the States, with

There are only ten or twelve orange trees and they are mostly too young to bear.

pay thirty cents our money.
Our house is fifty feet by sixty over all; one story fourteen feet high; a six foot veranda runs around two sides and one end, on the back end to the one side is a kitchen and partry, the balance being taken with a large porch and eistern. The house part is divided into a large center room used for sitting room, parlor, etc., and five large bed rooms to the sides.
We ave no windows, but only very large
doors with lattice work in some of the
outside ones, these we always leave open during the day time and at night close all the outside doors tight and leave the inprised if the insurgent chief himself, side ones all open, thus giving us plenty of fresh air for the night. We sleep on screws running into iron rous, over which is rapidly shrinking. It is plain that the days for copperhead rejoicings at the resistance of the Filipino conspirators are not far from their end.

At the meeting of the Republican National Committee held in Washington last Friday, Philadelphia was selected as the place and June 19 as the date for holding the next National Republican convention for the nomination of candidates for Pres. for the nomination of candidates for President and Vice President. It is the first time the Quaker City has secured the time the Quaker City has secured the convention since 1872, when Grant was re-nominated for President, and as a nat-ural consequence there is low in the big

we sleep fine.
From the front we have a very nice sweeping majority is, of course, a foregone conclusion.

Senor Fernandez de Castro, former
civil governor of Havana, tells his fellowcivil governor of Havana, tells his fellowsason with frost never known; it simply does not seem possible that such a condi-tion could exist. Well I don't want to

the festivities.

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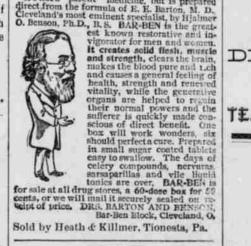
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