# WORD FROM BRIANT

## Governor Wells Receives a Reassuring Letter Today.

### SOT A BULLET IN THE LEG.

The Wound Not of a Serious Character—Lying with Lieut. Lassiter.

### BATTERY WILL BE GIVEN A GUIDON.

(Utah Cavalry Troop Objects to Fellow Duty, and Governor Wells Will Register a Strong Protest.

Governor Wells and all the relatives of Briant Wells were made glad this morning by the receipt of a letter from the Doctor in charge of the condition of the young Rough Rider, who has been known to be wounded, but from whom, as Adjutant Inflessinger has been informed, it was not known whether he was dead or alive. Consequently the family and numerous friends have been distressed with no information but rumorous news, and come to the conclusion that the letter received this morning by his brother brought glad tidings and filled the great burden which has weighed the minds of many since last Friday. The message was addressed to Mrs. Lassiter and was dated Tampa, Florida, July 15th. It is seen that Briant was wounded in the first day's fight and that he was placed in the hospital of the first division, along with Lieut. Lassiter, who was also wounded with the officers lying in the hospital together.

Lieut. Lassiter was struck by a bullet just below the calf of the leg, and as he bones were broken he expected the young officer is on the high road to recovery and is rapidly gaining strength. The news is certainly welcome to the family and also to the friends who may read the columns of the "News" today.

TWENTY-FOURTH OF JULY.

A letter received by Local Journal from Joseph Infflessinger from the brave officers of the Twenty-fourth who were wounded in the terrible fight before Santiago are all improving as well as could be expected under the circumstances. Some of the officers received slight wounds, while others had more of a more serious character. Lieut. Col. Lincoln Ferbel received a slight wound, but it lodged in the shoulder blade and shoulder displaced. The bullets with us to very badly hurt, but he expected to recover quickly and entire action. All the men, save the letter, he stated were well and fought like lions.

WILL GET A GUIDON.

This evening the Democrat of last July C will then "assemble and the boys of the battery will receive from the Governor a fine guidon. The guidon will be given a similar process to each volunteer company, which has left the State for the front and each has throughout the gift of one of its capital citizens. The Salt Lake City C will be presented to this city by Lee Ed. Ross, ex-president of the Salt Lake City Commercial Club, and the presentation will be accompanied by an appropriate address, the response of the officer will reply on behalf of his men.

BLUE CROSS BARBECUE.

The big barbecue to be given by the Blue Cross Camp at Calder's park this evening promises to be a great success, if indications count for anything at all. Hundreds of tickets have been sold and this morning Mr. Beaver, who has charge of the matter, is confident he will have a good big crowd on hand and guess from treatment it knows at which time and the Guidon of Liberty will be "unveiled" to make a parade. The barbecue is one of the best ever given in this city and that is saying a good deal. The Blue Cross Camp will be "treated" to some of the best speakers in the state, and the people will be the guests of the evening, therefore a special invitation.

When Battery C goes away the Elks do not forget their brothers, and special calls for a dance are out for Wednesday night. In fact in their meeting in parlor last night the Elks decided to make merry and pass the time away with a dance and supper. The 107 members which the lodge has in the field will be present Wednesday, with Secretary Allen and a detail of six men, give each of the boys a dinner, and supper, and a dance afterwards. The dance will be held in the Elks' hall, and will be a big affair. The Elks have not been over lodge affair and will do it in good shape. The Elks are proud of the boys who are leaving the front home and will show their love and esteem for them.

GOVERNOR WILL PROTEST.

Governor Wells is going to protest against the order requiring the Utah cavalry troop to do regular police duty. The boys are fully as competent to do this work as any other troop, and they do their work well. The protest will be made in the proper form, and Governor Wells is confident he will be successful in getting the order changed so that the Utah troop will be relieved of this duty. The Governor is not one of the boys would have enlisted in the troop if he had known they would be called on to do police duty. The Governor is anxious to have the Utah troop go to the front with the Second Regiment, and he will do all in his power to accomplish this.

Capt. Cohn will return to San Francisco. The Captain said to the News "Immediately on the arrival of the troops with this Brigade, we will be ordered off and I am anxious to see the Brigadier-General in order that I may be ready for an emergency, if the regiment does I will go up for a strong position with the regiment, if not I will return home."

"There was nothing with the officers of the cavalry that they were in search of a strong position for their troop. They thought they would have a chance to fight the Spaniards and they would not have refused if they had thought otherwise.

"The Second troop only moved work in our company, the regiment, it would transpire and regiment, we are ready, we are willing should and be taken to Cuba. If the regiment were to be put down on entire duty we will be as willing as anyone to do such work. The government has a field of work that is needed in most of everything.

"Nevertheless I will take up my position and do everything in my power as any that can. Nobody wants to go to the Philippines, or anywhere else, but where there will have a chance to do some fighting."

SHOVED THEM AROUND.

There was quite a commotion at the Fort Douglas yesterday, for the "best girl" of every soldier of the Twenty-fourth was there and the boys took particular delight in "showing" them around and showing them to the soldiers who had enlisted from the Pacific Coast and they had a pleasant day. The last time of our which the boys could count on being with their sweethearts in the future, this a occasion of joy, should show, and they showed their appreciation of the opportunity afforded them by the Twenty-fourth.

HAD VISITOR TODAY.

Lieutenant Lassiter and Mrs. Lassiter received a letter from the Lieutenant's brother, who is a resident of Chicago, stating that he had visited the Lieutenant's brother, who is a resident of Chicago, stating that he had visited the Lieutenant's brother, who is a resident of Chicago, stating that he had visited