

## AT HOME AND ABROAD.

Ponce, Island of Porto Rico, Aug. 1, 3 a. m., via St. Thomas, D. W. I., Aug. 2.—(noon)—The Porto Ricans of Ponce lined the streets by the hundreds and filled the air with cheering on the arrival of Gen. Garretson's brigade from Yauco. The arrival of these troops and those on the St. Louis makes the fighting strength of the Americans operating near Ponce, about 9,000 men, equal to the entire force of Spanish regular troops on the island.

Gen. Garretson's camp is temporarily near the Second and Third Wisconsin regiments on the outskirts of the town.

The brigade marched 17 miles from Yauco to Axsby, where they arrived travel-stained and mud-bespattered. Almost the entire population saw the troops pass through the city and gave them cheer after cheer, particularly as the artillerymen lumbered by. The officers at the front, including Chief Huling's Pennsylvanians and Captains Austin, Wheelock, Burns and Hall, commanding the four advance companies, do not believe the Spaniards will make an advance. They claim the enemy will act only on the defensive.

There was some firing last night between Captain Austin's pickets and the Spaniards in the brush, but no damage was done.

All the American troops are restless, due to false alarms of the approach of the Spaniards, and they are anxious for an encounter with the enemy. It is the general belief, however, that there will be no forward movement of the main body of our troops until the other transports arrive. They are expected every hour.

The troops on board the St. Louis are reported to be in good health. She brought twelve representatives of the Porto Rican junta, of New York, whose business is to influence the people of the island not to resist the American advance. Their good offices are not necessary.

The Dixie shot at Morro Castle on Saturday and caused the utmost consternation at San Juan de Porto Rico, where it was believed to have signified that the place would be bombarded within 24 hours.

San Francisco, Aug. 2.—The steamer Doric, from Hongkong today brings the following letter from the correspondent of the Associated Press at Manila, under date of July 1st:

Another link was added to the chain of territory which connects the United States with their newly acquired foreign possessions in the Pacific ocean, on June 21st, for upon that date Capt. Glass of the United States cruiser Chastleton captured the Ladrone islands, took the governor general, his staff and the entire military force prisoners, and raised the Stars and Stripes, over the ruins of the Spanish fort at Santa Cruz in the harbor of San Luis d'Apra. It was a bloodless victory, for the Spanish, not having heard of the war between their country and the United States, were taken completely by surprise, and surrendered the islands, their arms and themselves without offering the slightest resistance.

Valencia, Spain, Aug. 3.—The village of Mediana has been wrecked by a cyclone, which killed many persons. Several houses at Hornillos have been engulfed by the floods and a number of people perished.

Philadelphia, Aug. 3.—The excessive heat of the last three weeks or more culminated today in one of the most terrific electrical storms that has ever visited this city. The rain fall was the heaviest in the history of the local weather bureau. In one hour and three-

quarters five and four-tenths inches of rain fell. The heaviest previous rain fall was five and one-fifth inches in 24 hours, about 12 years ago. There was an almost continuous flash of lightning and many flag poles and buildings in nearly every section of the city were struck causing several small fires and doing great damage. Telegraphic and telephone service throughout the city was practically at a standstill for several hours.

The cellar and first floors of hundreds of business blocks and dwellings were flooded. In the basements of the city hall, and postoffice the water rose to such a depth that the fires under the boilers were extinguished.

The basements of Gimbel Bros. and Wanamakers, two of the largest department stores in the city were flooded and heavy damage has been done.

It is said a big fire is raging at Point Breeze oil works, in the extreme lower section of the city caused by the lightning. Three alarms have been sent in.

The street car service was practically at a standstill. Many of the streets were flooded to the depth of two and three feet. The steam roads in this vicinity also suffered severely, and nearly all trains up to 2 o'clock were behind their schedule time.

Peter Schell, aged 28 years, was drowned in the cellar at his home at Twenty-third and Christian streets.

He was working in the cellar, removing some of his property, when he was caught by a sudden rise in the water. Before he could reach the stairway the water rose to the first floor and he was drowned.

Boston, Aug. 4.—A special cablegram to the Journal from Ponce, Porto Rico, says:

A tremendous sensation has occurred in the Sixth Massachusetts regiment, which is in Gen. Garretson's brigade. The friction between the line officers and the officers of the brigade, which has been growing ever since the command left Cuba, reached its climax Monday, when Col. Woodward, Lieut. Col. Chaffin, Maj. Taylor, Chaplain Dousseault and Capt. Goodell, of company K, resigned their commissions.

The exact reason which prompted them to take this action is not at present known. The cause must have been serious indeed.

The matter has been fully reported to Gen. Miles, and a rigid investigation has been ordered. By military law to resign in face of the enemy means a court martial.

New York, Aug. 4.—Mayor Van Wyck who has been summering at Freeport, L. I., today distinguished himself as a life saver by rescuing three young women from drowning. The rescued were: Miss Jennie Lowndes, daughter of Rev. Arthur Lowndes, assistant rector of St. Thomas church, of this city; Miss Clara Pritz and Miss Eliza Heindcheimer, both of Cincinnati. The three young women went in bathing in Jamaica Bay, about 200 yards from the hotel where Mayor Van Wyck was stopping.

Miss Lowndes got out over her depth and could not get back to the beach. The other young women, although they could not swim, started to her rescue. They were instantly beyond their depth. The cries of the struggling young women attracted the attention of Mayor Van Wyck, who was sitting on the porch, and he immediately threw off his coat and ran to the rescue. Unaided he brought the three to the beach. They were all unconscious.

The mayor then gave orders to the excited spectators to procure barrels.

Three were brought and each of the unconscious girls were placed over a barrel, at the direction of the mayor, and rolled until relieved.

Santiago de Cuba, Aug. 3, 5:30 p.m.—[Copyrighted, 1893, by the Associated Press.]—(Delayed in transmission.)—Summoned by Major General Shafter, a meeting was held here this morning at headquarters, and in the presence of every commanding and medical officer of the Fifth army corps, Gen. Shafter read a cable message from Secretary Alger, ordering him at the recommendation of Surgeon General Sternberg, to move the army into the interior, to San Luis, where it is healthier.

As a result of the conference, Gen. Shafter will insist upon the immediate withdrawal of the army north within two weeks.

Springville, Utah, Aug. 4.—A large party of engineers are at work in Hobbie Creek canyon, a few miles east of this city, locating a line for a railroad.

The proposed road will run from Salt Lake to Denver and it is said will be 200 miles shorter than any line now in operation between these two cities. It will pass through the Uintah reservation, which abounds in minerals of different kinds.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Adjutant General Corbin today received the following cablegram:

Ponce, Aug. 5.—Captain Edgar Hubert, Eighth Infantry, died of brain fever at 7 o'clock last night. Notify his wife at Fort Russell.

(Signed) GILMORE.  
Captain Hubert was born in Georgia and appointed to West Point from that state. He graduated in 1880 from the military academy. He was highly accomplished in military matters, and was regarded as one of the most intelligent and energetic officers in the army.

Boston, Aug. 5.—Three men lost their lives on railroad crossings yesterday, two of them on New England road crossings in South Boston.

Maurice Conlon, a switchman, was struck and killed by a train which he did not see as he was flagging one from an opposite direction. About two hours later John Sullivan, brakeman on the road, while going to his work, slipped in front of a train, all of the cars of which passed over his body.

John Reardon was run over by a train on the Fitchburg railroad in Summerville and instantly killed.

San Francisco, Aug. 5.—The following message regarding the revolution in Guatemala has been received in this city from a friend and supporter of Gen. Morales, now at Tampachula:

"Prospero Morales is at San Marcos. Quesealtenango favors the revolution. We are on the way to Ocos.

(Signed) "MIGUELIN."  
Morales is said to have 5,000 Remington rifles and 700 men. Details of the revolt are difficult to obtain, as telegraphic communication is interrupted.

Morales is represented to have little means of his own, but he is supported by wealthy men in the liberal party. There is believed to be an understanding between Jose Leon Castillo and Morales, both of whom are candidates for the presidency, that the one who has the strongest following shall receive the other's support. What they are bent on is the defeat of Cabrera.

St. Johns, N. A., Aug. 5.—The mail steamer Virginia Lake arrived at Cove, on West Bay, 230 miles from here, at daylight, bringing certain corroboration of the reported loss of an ocean liner in the straits of Belle Isle. A fisherman at Noddy reported that he saw a steamer collide with an iceberg and sink soon after. The report is generally believed, but nothing reliable is obtainable.

The strait of Belle Isle lies between