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"Clear ship for action!" is the commodern battle every one must expect injury or destruction; he who does not had better not go to sea in a modern iron-clad. Some will escape death, but not many. In the engagement car and the Blanco Encalada only fifty of the Huascar's crew were uninjured out of two hundred. One hundred were killed and fifty wounded.

Continuing the survey of the inner, human life of the ships, the spectator would first note the bugle-call, and the subsequent instanteneous rush to his appointed station of every officer and man. The great end in view is the quickest possible use of the weaponthrowing power. The magazines and the breeches of the great guns are the centres of action. The conning-tower, or little round room made of metal a foot thick, with slits for observation, is the centre of thought, for the captain stands there with his aid and directs the battle by means of speaking tubes and electricity.

First of all, the decks are cleared of every obstacle that would embarrass the rapid passage of ammunition from the magazines to the guns. All ships are full of objects that are to be thrown overboard before going into action. Tanks of turpentine, alcohol, varnish carboys of acid, must all fly over the side. Then the ship's hose is to be attached to all connections, and when action has begun the steam pump is started and kept running. All movable bulkheads and lockers which might interfere with the working of any portion of the battery are put out of the way. Only those ladders which are absolutely necessary are left in place, the others being hung over the side or carefully placed apart. All

compasses and binnacles except one are sent below. Hammocks are furled, awnings are wetted and used in certain exposed places as barricades or shields, but it is not expected they will do much against modern bullets. Each great gun and small gun has

ts officer and group of men behind it to work it. Its big iron covering, like a large hood, shield some of the men (but not all) from the fire of the enemy. They must expect their own death or that of their opponents. All the ammunition hoists are immediately put to work. Shell and charges are hurried like lightning to every bree The Cleveland & Buffalo Transit Go. loading gun. Boxes of ammunition are whisked up aloft into the fighting tops of the military masts. The endless mechanisms of the great guns and their turrets must be set going like a flash, whether by steam, hydraulic, CLEVELAND, LORAIN, PUT-IN-BAY pneumatic or electrical power. The lower decks, being dark, are often whitewashed, if there be time to do so, in order to make all objects on them more visible. Cots or chairs are rigged for lowering the wounded below, where the surgeons' operating tables will, will the opening of navigation, about ments. The engineers are below, doare covered with lint and steel instruing their human best with the ships' fires, and if a shell should reach one of their boilers Heaven help them!

And now with the big crew on the upper deck separated into small groups behind the various guns, all expectant, training the glistening brass sights on the enemy—the centre of the opposing mass near the water is the best place to aim for—the battle is on the point of beginning. Uniforms are not worn with neatness or precision on these occasions. Some men are stripped to the waist and officers are in their shirt sleeves. The ships have approached within the radius of accurate fire, and the command is given for the battle

to begin. All this description will fit, with small changes in details, the exercise known as "Clear ship for action!" in all modern navies, and what appears an invincible preparation on one side is exactly reproduced on the other. The skill of the marksmen must determine who will emerge as victor from the coming great clash.

Random Notes.

More than half the depositors in rance's savings banks are women. In 1896 the savings banks held \$680,000,000 belonging to their customers, who received interest at the rate of 31/4 per cent. per annum on their balances. Many of the banks have, within the last three years, reduced the maximum individual deposit from £80 to £60. There are more than 2,000 savings banks in the republic.

The new lighthouse at Eckmuhl is of 40,000,000 candle power. During the last decade France has constructed eleven lighthouses with the average power of 8,200,000 candles. England has eighty-six first class lighthouses. which everage only 20,680 cendle

The wealth of the United States is estimated to be \$60,000,000,000, that of England \$50,000,000,000, and that of France \$40,000,000,000. The aggregate wealth of the world is \$300,000,000,-

Queen Victoria's tea costs her 5s. 4d. per pound, and is known as "Earl Grey's Mixture," the Earl having recommended it to his sovereign many years ago.

How They Wed in Spain. Marriage in Spain takes place by day or at night, according to the fortune of the young people or their station in life. If well-to-do the ceremony comes off in the early part of

YANKEE DARING.

Engign Sullivan's Cool Inspection of Spanish Fortifications.

Every one likes to read stories of daring and of courage, and here is one of that character. Ensign Franklin B. Sullivan is as smooth and urbane a young man as was ever graduated from Annapolis, and for clear strain courage his superior has not passed the necesmand from the executive officer. In sary examination. Mr. Suilivan is the grandson of old Admiral Buchanan and his personal characteristics may thus be readily accounted for. One night the professional bad man of Key West drew a six shooter and proclaimed between the Peruvian ironclad Huas- himself supervisor and boss of Duval street. Sullivan took the revolver away, ejected the cartridges and cast the weapon with much vigor at the owner's head. The town terror ducked and at once unlimbered another pistol which Mr. Sullivan also captured, but did not return.

In the Navy Department at Washington are accurate detailed reports of the strength of the defences of Havana, the number of guns, the supply of ammunition, together with statistics concerning calibres and mounting sufficient to fill a book. Admiral Sampson—the newest but not the least able of fleet commanders-has similar information. It was furnished by Commander W .J. Barnette, late of the coast survey steamer Bache, and his officers, Lieutenants Archibald Davis, Frank M. Russell and Ensign Sullivan. The Bache was in Havana harbor more days than she was elsewhere after the assassination of the Maine and up to the time of Lee's exit. It was in these days that the report on the batteries and forts was made.

Ensign Sullivan's investigations were the most searching as to detail. He personally visited each fort and sand battery, counted the guns and took stock of the garrison. The long days the Bache lay in Havana harbor a floating refuge for Americans in case of Spanish uprising gave him time for the work, and from the Vidado on the West to Martinez Campos battery No.4 across the bay, the Ensign visited all. Each minute he was thus employed was a risk. At best it would mean weary days in Cabanas, and when war was declared-well, Spanish sensibilities are not fine in these matters and it would have been another walk "under the laurels" with a firing squad.

The last expedition undertaken by Mr. Sullivan was the week before Lee left. He rose from the table in the Inglaterra Cafe, where we had been sitting, and declared his intention of going out for a drive.

"If I'm not back in four hours," he said cheerfully, "organize a relief party lowed. and come over to Cabanas and Morro." Four times that afternoon he was halted by "ordens publico" and civil guards, who permitted him to continue his sightseeing after his explanation that he was an English tourist, bent on pleasure and self entertainment only. His last visit was at the new sand batteries when some eight-inch guns were being put in their emplacements, and where certain mortars had been taken put him under arrest. They escorted toward the "Prado" with the polite but firm assurance that English tourists, though insane, would not be permitted

to investigate the defences. Mr. Sullivan then proceeded to the Bache and wrote up his log. It was included in Commander Barnette's report and completed an almost microscopic description of Havana's equipment for beating off an enemy.

Ameient Drinks.

The Bible credits Noah with the invention of wine, but no other record has been found of the first wine maker. The oldest records known to man, those of Egypt and Assyria, show that they knew how to make both wine and beer and how to drink both of them.

We have Egyptian pictures found on the tombs and monuments showing the whole process of wine making. The grape juice was first fermented in open earthen pans and then poured into earthen jars, which were closed with a lid covered with pitch, clay or mortar, and sealed. The Egyptians had several kinds of wine as early as 6,000 years ago.

Wine was the drink of the wealthy. but the poor Egyptians enjoyed beer made from barley (hops being unknown). This old beer was called bega. Then they also had palm wine, and another wine called baga, made from dates or figs, besides wines made from pomegranates and other fruits and from herbs, such as rue, hellebore, absinthe, etc.

The Assyrians were no abstainers from wine; they could drink sociably, and, according to a clay tablet found in the library of Assurbanipal, they had no less than ten kinds of wine. Beer, too, was made in Babylon and Assyria, much like that used in Egypt.

Room Enough Up States. One night, after the curtain was wrung up at a certain English theater. where the "standing room only" was not needed, a small boy was discovered sobbing in front of the box office. The manager of the theater went to the lad and kindly asked him what the trouble was. "I want my money back!" sobbed the boy. In surprise the manager asked his reason for such a request. "Because-because I'm afraid to sit up in the gallery all alone!" he wailed. His money was returned.

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DIOCESAN NEWS.

What Our Friends in the Surrounding Parisbee are Dolug.

From Our Special Correspondents Lime.

At the game of ball played on the Sem nary grounds last Saturday between the Genesee Normal nine, and the Geo S nine the score stood 18 to 3 in favor of the latter. In many respects it was the most exciting game of the season, it being the third of teries of games between the two nines. Misses Matie Sweeney and B. Norton

of Rochester, were the guests of Miss. Sweeney's grandmother, Mrs. McGraw, over

George Ford formerly of Lima, died in Geneva, Illinois, last Sunday

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Gleason was buried last Thursday, aged about one week. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. John

Murphy, will be sorry to hear that they are contemplating moving to Rochester. Raymond A. Mill, of Canton, Pa., formerly of Lime, spent Decoration Day have.

in Lima, Sunday. Father FitzSimmons was absent in New York Monday and Tuesday, attending the inst. funeral of Rev. Father Egan, late of Tarry. town, who died of consumption in New York on Saturday. Father Egan was a classmate of Father FitzSimmon's and spent some time in Lima last winter. He will be

kindly remembered by many Lima people, as the donor of the gold watch which was so hotly contested for by the young ladies of the Sodality of the Children of Mary at our fair last winter.

Corning.

The marriage of Mr. Edward Dowling and Miss Julia Crowley is announced to take place at St. Mary's church on the morning of Wednesday, June 15th.

The bicycle track between here and El mirs is undoubtedly a most popular one. A steady stream of wheelers going both ways steady stream of wheelers going both ways may be seen any of these June Sundays, ing her parents Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Select a shady spot anywhere between here Laverty of this village. Beleet a shady spot anywhere between here and Big Flats, by the roadside, and there will pass before your gaze wheels and riders most diverse and interesting, the latter rang. ing from the two hundred pound female of independent mien, who "who goes it alone," to the sweet dainty fairy who seems to need wings no longer.

The blisses Garity are earning a reputathe two sisters (alto and soprano) blend very nicely in ducts and their rendering Taughannock Falls, visited in the city reof "All for Jesus" deserves the heartlest confly. commendation

At St. Mary's church on Friday of last a short visit to Rochester. week occurred the ceremony of giving the ... It seems that cupid has been making merry

James E. Reilly are enjoying their fifteen land for the following week.

Lovers of picturesque and unusual sights, must have found Market street, late Saturday night, a most delightful place. It was full of contrasts most pronounced. Pawnee Bill's Wild West Show had just finished its on it's way to the train in scattered groups Rochester. One of the young men to be of cow-boys Indians and Mexicans. Side by ordained. Rev. Edward Rawlicon is an for mounting. Here he mounted to the top of the works, and was only dissuaded from climbing over the battery by a sergeant and a file of soldlers, who side with the street cars in which sat repre. Ithaca boy, trying to peep under their huge sombreros. him down to the street and turned him dians made their stealthy way, wrapped in In the shadow of buildings dark skinned Inmystic blankets. And over all the gentle stars laughed merrily.

W. F. Moran is on a visit to New York, Emanual DeSilva, of New York is visitng at the residence of his parents at West Third street.

Miss Elizabeth Maleady is visiting in El Dan Flispstrick is on a trip to Boston,

'John S Kennedy has been visiting friends

in Buffalo.

" Tis sweet to love but oh, how bitter, to love a girl and then not git her." runs the old verse, and the same may be said of wearing elegant base-ball suits and losing the game. It grieves me to have to record the sad fact that the Spaulding base ballteam has at last reached its Waterloo. After a lengthy game at Meadow Park, the nine that is being known as "Riley's," won a game that is best described as fierce. Several young men are lame and a great many are sore (actually and slangtly speak-ing) as a result of the battle. The Spauldings are to be condoled with, but at the same time it must be remembered that one game lost does not mean disgrace any more than one swallow means summer. Undoubtedly there are many victories and successes still in store for the Spauldings and before the summer is over they will have more than reestablished themselves as the only team in town. The following lines are offered to the reader with apologies to Mrs. Hemana and they are dedicated to the pitcher

The boy stood on the base ball plate, Whence all but he had fied (to score.) For the pitcher tried to strike them out, But he strack a snag instead(and swore.

Yet beautiful and small he stood, As born to rule the Park, A creature of heroic nerve, A proud though easy mark.

Speak, Sammy, speak," he cried aloud, 'If yet my task is done."
And but the booming hits reply, And fast the runners run.

They knocked the ball outside the lot And circled round the bases. And piled the score up more and more. Like horses running faces

Homellsville.

dead alongelde the railroad, about two miles the blood and mucous surfaces of the syswest of this city Friday afternoon. A post-mortem examination held Saturday revealed any case it falls to one. Send for circulars mortem examination held Saturday revealed and testimoslats. Address that the man had sustained a broken nack and testimoslats. Address that the man had sustained a broken nack and testimoslats. Address that the man had sustained a broken nack and testimoslats. Address that the man had sustained a broken nack and testimoslats. face was enabed in, being personably 130 Sold by Druggiess, 75c.

caused by falling off a train. As no be identified the body it was burned in potter

Thus. Kelly of Webster street, mer with a very sud death on Monday evening fast while playing with some other children of the ucighborhood they found a pan of kerosene which had been used for cleaning a blovele, and after lighting some sticks the oll in the pan took fire, and in attempting so extinguish it, the can was tricked over the oll guish it, the pan was kicked over the old being spilled on her clothes which immedi-ately were in a blaze, and were not extlaguished until the child was horribly burned Medical aid was summoned but it was to no avail and she died a few hours afterwards The funeral held from St. Ann's church

Thursday morning was largely attended. A delightful party was given by Misses Olive McGraw and Helen McGuire at the old Armory on Monday evening about thirty couple being present. Miss Francis Grange presided at the plano.

Mr. T. L. Leaby, of Leaby, Wheatley & Co., is spending the week at his home in Caton, Pa.

Mr. C. F. McGuire spent Taesday at Bath.

Mr. D. J. Haren spent Monday in El min, on business connected with electric TRIBUAY. Miss Bridget Grace, and Mrs. John Grace Rev. Father Darcy of Addison, visited in freeds this city during the week. A number of the A. O. H. of this city will attend the Field day in Elmira, the 15th

Miss Emma Dockery of Mt. Morris, visited friends in town the past week.

Miss Delia Finnerty is spending two weeks in Bath. Mr. McLaughlin of Canandagua, is in

town, the guest of his mother, Mrs. B. Me-Laughlin of W. Main street. Tickets are on sale now for the entertain-

ment to be given by the children of St. Agnes' school on June sand in Clark's opera house. Miss Emma O'Connor who has been at tending school at Batavia, is at home for

the summer vacation.

P. D. Conley, is in Buffalo on business. Roy. Father Evans ansisted at the evercises celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of Rev. Father Mulheron of Auburn.

The Misses Garity are earning a reputa-tion by their singing which is heard at the early mass in St. Mary's. The voices of picnic at Waite's. Mrs. K. Carrol and Miss Anna Higgins of

D. McGaugh and son have returned from

week occurred the ceremony or giving the diplomas and crosses to the new promoters of the League of the Sacred Heart. An impressive address was given by the Rev. Father Director, Rev. J. M. Bustle. Benedicton of the Bletsed Sacrament followed.

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Miss Mary Mitchell Jeft lide week for New York to take passage on the steamship Brittanic for Rockport, Balliodibe, County Mayo, Ireland.

Reys. Father Evans and Kelly are attendfinal performance at East Side Park and was ing the ordination ceremonies this week at

Palmyra.

The Misses Mary Gorman and Margaret Hickey and Walter Gorham drove to Clifton, Bunday.

Miss Lizzie Naughton spent the past week with Kate Moore, Miss Mary Mahaney spent the past week with James Persall. Timothy Clancy died Sunday morning and was burled Tuesday last. He is survived by a mother, two brothers, and a great

many friends. Misses Kittle Moore, Lou Moran and Hubert Fox, wheeled to Newark Sunday

The work train has been sent to Rochester for the future, and it is thought that many citizens will leave Palmyra,

The young daughters of Mr. Edward Kelly have begun the sask of househooping on Canal street. Mrs. J. E. Gorman and two children after spending three week's with her mether in-law has returned to her home in St. Johns

Miss Mayine Sullivan is spending the week with friends in Canandalgua, Miss Anna Ryan spent the past week in Rochester.

Mrs. J. Brick and daughter Mayme, spen a few days in Rochester, Regents examination is now going on in

the Palmyra High School.

Misses Anna Dunn and Nollie Smith o

this city, attended the wedding of Miss-Smith's sister, last Wednesday at Utics. F. M. Leary has returned from a business irip in St. Louis and other western points. Dr. Conway returned Monday from a week's visit in New York.

Miss Auna Erhart of Ownson street, gr tes Saturday is bosor of Miss James Drawt and Frederick Schelessking Games Misses Alice, Sabins, and Lon Casey of of Senece Falls; were the guests of the Misess Lane of Cottage elegat, over Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Louis Devitt of New York, are visiting relatives in this city.

Dicesas News continued on Jib peak

There is more Catarra is the section the country than all other disease paties gether and until the last/few years was pur-Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morrisy have Issued posed to be incurable. For a great many invitations for the marriage of their daughter. Mary F. Morrissey, to Eugene J. Clancy. The ceremony will take place at St. And's stantly failing to cure with local treatment church; Wednesday morning June 15th at pronounced it incurable. Science has pro-9:30. A reception will follow the ceremony mounced cutarricts be a constitutional disatthe home of the bride's parents. No. 62 case, and therefore, requires constitutional Maple street. Both are among the city's treatment. Hall's Catarib Cure, manufeabest known and popular young people, and trued by F. J. Chency & Co., Tollade, Ohio is the only constitutional cure on the manufeabest with a host of friends extend is the only constitutional cure on the manufeabest without with a host of friends extend is the only constitutional cure on the manufeable and best wishes. The hody of an unknown man was found drops to a teaspoonful. It ages directly on

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All This is Ohersend Street

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