

ANOTHER BATTLE AT MELILLA.

The Riffians Attack the Spaniards Under the Walls of the Town.

MADRID, Nov. 7.—The fighting at Melilla was renewed yesterday. The Riffians blocked the approaches to the forts and advanced close to Melilla itself. So close were they that bullets from their rifles fell into the square in the centre of the town. The Spanish troops poured a hot fire into the enemy, but it had no effect in checking their advance.

On the beach close under the walls of the town a number of sailors and dragoons were employed in disembarking horses from one of the steamers that brought supplies from Spain. The Riffians approached to within 200 yards of them and then opened fire, forcing them to stop their work and flee to the town for safety.

At night further endeavors were made to disembark the horses and other supplies from the steamer. The electric light was used, but it was soon found that this afforded the Riffians an excellent opportunity to pick off the Spaniards. Their fire was redoubled and the work had to stop.

Convoys dispatched with rations and water to the outlying forts are in great danger of extermination. The Riffians attack them and it is only by desperate fighting that the supplies are carried through. The enemy is now engaged in destroying the roads. This will make the conveyance of supplies extremely difficult.

The Correspondencia states that if the struggle in Morocco is prolonged Spain will declare war on the Sultan and make the affair on the Riff coast a secondary consideration.

To Become Countess of Essex.

LONDON, Nov. 7.—The betrothal of Miss Adele Grant to the Earl of Essex was publicly announced to-day. The Earl of Essex and Viscount Malden, whose family name is Capall, was born Oct. 24, 1857. He succeeded his grandfather, the sixth Earl, on Sept. 11, 1892. On July 12, 1882, he married Eleanor, daughter of William H. Harford. She died in 1885. The Earl has one son, who will succeed to the title. Miss Grant is a daughter of the late Beach Grant of New-York, and is well known in New-York, London, and Continental society.

Gen. Gourko Recovering.

WARSAW, Nov. 7.—Gen. Gourko, Governor of Warsaw, who has been ill for some time past, it is said, from the effects of poison administered to him, is improving daily and expects to soon entirely recover.

An Improbable Rumor.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—A wild story has been the rounds to-day to the effect that Secretary Carlisle was to resign the head of the Treasury Department to make way for Mr. C. S. Fairchild, Mr. Carlisle to be promoted to the Supreme Court, presumably in place of Mr. Hornblower, not confirmed. This would be an instance of crowding the Cabinet with members from one State, as it would give three Cabinet places to the State of New-York, unless Secretary Lamont or Postmaster General Bissell propose also to resign, of which there is no immediate expectation.

Murphy Lowers the Milburn Record.

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 7.—The Kings County Wheelmen held their fifth annual twenty-five-mile road race on the Irvington-Milburn course this afternoon. W. F. Murphy broke the record by making the run in 1:14:19½. The previous record was 1:15:10. It was made on the same track by Mr. Murphy's brother, C. M. Murphy, on Decoration Day.