lead houred out as fast as the men could load and fire
Thus things went on for a few hours, when the officers
set some of the men to digging trenches for the purpose
of taking possession of other houses, while others were
sent around the place, picking the dead and wounded,
Amoung those that they brought in mortally wounded
was a man that had on him a green blanket coat,
he was shot through the side of the head, and laid on
his back keeping up a species of snoring, which sounded
so peculiar that one could not help noticing it, It was
on that first morning that a little doctor came out with
a lady's basket on his head, and as he danced and capered
in the yard, while the balls were flying all over his head,
told the men that they were going to have a fandango
there that night, On the second day a large gun
was placed in the rear of the house, which being pointed
towards the church steeple, made that portion of
the edifice tumble, inspite of its being built of stone,
and dislodged those rascals, that from that place
were picking our men, one at a time with their
muskets, Yet notwithstanding all this, on the third
day in the fore noon and in that same yard
just under the arch way, a distinguished Colonel was
shot through the temples, the ball coming so near out
on the other side, that it made a swelling, and was cut
out with a razor, I had been looking at him a few minutes
before as he stood there dressed in a white blanket coat,
but my attention being attracted around, and when I
looked towards the place again I saw him stretched at
his whole lenght, he never new what hurt him a moment
afterwards, the man next to me was also shot down, Several
outside batteries were playing now on the Mexicans, and the
process of digging trenches had progessed so far, as to enable the