

The victory of our fleet at Manila is the most complete and remarkable that has ever been won on water.

While so crushing to the Spaniards this naval battle resulted in little loss to the Americans, recalling Jackson's wonderful victory at New Orleans over the British.

Commodore Dewey displayed great skill and nerve, and his crews fought with remarkable courage, and all European naval experts are loud in their praises of the progress of our navy.

A large body of troops will be sent from San Francisco in a few days as an army of occupation for the Philippine Islands.

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A battalion of three colored companies will be organized and stationed at Fort Macon, near Morehead city, where they will doubt greatly enjoy themselves.

Later news is that our volunteers will be sent to Tampa, Florida, instead of to Chickamauga.

WHEN our North Carolina volunteers arrived at their camp near Raleigh, last week, they experienced an unpleasant foretaste of a soldier's hardships.

TRAMP, tramp, the boys are marching. Yes, all over the United States are thousands of our young men organizing into regiments and drilling as soldiers for the war with Spain.

OUR Supreme Court decided last week, in a case from Duplin county, that the county commissioners could refuse to grant a license to retail liquor without assigning any reason for their refusal.

THE Southern Baptist Convention met at Norfolk on last Friday, and Judge Harless, of Alabama, was elected president for the tenth time.

A great naval battle was expected the first of this week, near Porto Rico, between our fleet and the Spanish fleet, which had started for Cuba, but the latter returned to Spain and thus deprived us of another glorious victory.

Movement of Troops.

Washington, May 6.—The War Department says it today to gratify the universal desire and inform the country through the press just where the various State volunteer organizations are to be concentrated.

Without a word of explanation the great work of mobilizing the forces and putting them in service, the War Department has planned a scheme which, it is believed, will very much hasten the work of getting the men together and equipping them.

Our soldier boys will begin to leave Raleigh in a few days, as the first regiment has received orders to go to Chickamauga, in Tennessee, where a large army of volunteers will be encamped and drilled, before being sent to Cuba.

Invasion of Cuba.

Washington, May 5.—The Washington Post tomorrow will say "between 10,000 and 15,000 men will be landed on Cuba at once."

The next section of the army to invade Cuba will be the 15,000 or 16,000 troops that are now assembled at New Orleans and Tampa.

Within 48 hours there will be 20,000 soldiers at Tampa and 10,000 more. Several hundred ambulances will also be landed at Tampa.

The Cuban Blockade.

Key West, Fla., May 8.—Cuba is still locked out by Uncle Sam's steel forces. Two nations are still vis-a-vis, eyeing each other steadily, waiting for the unknown.

Old Woman Dead.

Concord, May 9.—A negro woman was burned near here yesterday who is said to have been 110 years of age.

Col. W. H. S. Burgess, of Henderson, has been appointed colonel of the second regiment of N. C. volunteers. He was adjutant-general of Grant's 95,000 in our civil war.

One Victory at Manila.

Hong Kong, May 7.—The American dispatch boat "McCall" arrived here this afternoon from Manila, bringing despatches from Dewey to the U. S. Navy Department.

The "McCall" was forty-eight hours in making the voyage of 9,000 miles.

Her coming has been awaited with much eagerness, as everybody was keenly anxious to learn the situation in Manila.

The news that the "McCall" brought, however, is that the Americans had not landed the place.

As soon as the "McCall" arrived the despatches and news were eagerly sought by questioners.

The despatches confirmed the story of the total destruction of the Spanish squadron.

They reported that the loss of the enemy was fully 2,500 killed.

These figures include the vessels at Cavite and Corregido Island.

A number of wounded Spaniards fell into the hands of the Americans, and were treated kindly.

Great surprise and satisfaction were expressed here when it was learned that an American warship was damaged during the fight.

Several Americans were wounded, but there is only one who is injured in the slightest degree.

The Americans were prepared for any emergency, and if the attack had been successful the ships were in readiness.

The Americans are shipping off to Cavite all the boats, for the fighting had not yet started.

It is known that the losses upon the fortifications were very heavy.

After the fighting had continued several hours, all the fourteen Spanish vessels which had been engaged were at the bottom of the bay.

Then the fortification of Cavite was retaken, and the vessels were captured.

A small force from the "Fired" occupied the place and medical assistance was sent to the Spanish wounded.

On May 10 the American squadron went up the bay to Manila and anchored.

No landing party was sent ashore, but in the meantime the city is under the complete command of the guns of the fleet and will be bombarded when deemed necessary.

The ships are in a position to destroy the place.

The insurgents are in strong force back of the city, but Dewey will prevent any movement of the Spaniards.

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