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SPAIN WHIPPED

DEWEY ANNIHILATES

THE SPANISH FLEET.

Food Many Spaniar As Killed, Including Commander of the Maria Reina Maria Christana -- Spanish Ships Suffering.

from Manila say that the American said that only by quickly yielding to Equadron, under Commodore Dewey appeared off the Bay of Manila at 5 o'clock this morning, and opened a tion which promised maught save strong cannonade against the Spanish disaster in case she elected to force squadron and forts protecting the harbor. The Spanish second-class cruiser, strated in the Pacific and the same, it is contended, would be inevitable in the damaged, and her commander was Atlantic in case the clash comes. From killed.

Elw) sustained severe damage.

A second naval engagement followed, in which the American squadron again suffered considerable loss and the were slightly damaged.

The Spanish warships Mindano and Ullea were slightly damaged. During this engagement the Cavite forts main-*ained a steadier and stronger fire upon the American squadron than in the first engagement.

Admiral Bermejo, the Minister of Marine, has expressed himself as highly pleased with the heroism of the Spanish marines, and has telegraphed congratu-

from the Governor General of the Philippines to the Minister of War, Lieutenant-General Correa, as to the engagement of Manila: "Last night, April 30, with a strong fire against Fort Cavite | shore battery, seems a foregone con-

'Our fleet engaged the enemy in a squadron took refuge behind the for-

San Juan Costra, was blown up. "There was considerable loss of life.

I cannot now give further details. The the trip. spirit of the army, navy and volunteers

Spain's Crushing Defeat.

London May 1. - While it is clear that the Spanish squadron has suffered unclear the intensely interesting queshas suffered material damage. All news thus far comes from Spanish sources; but it seems evident that Commodore Dewey has not captured Manilla. Unless he is able to make another attack and capture the town, he will be in an awkward position, with no base upon which to retire and to refit.

Probably, too, the United States squadron will be obliged to make for San Francisco, as the entrance to Manila Bay was heavily mined with tor- No. 20, was taken in charge by four pedoes. Commodore Dewey displayed great pluck and daring in making for the inner harbor. According to private advises received from Madrid, the gine were detached and run a short United States cruisers Olympia, Ral- distance. The robbers wrecked the eigh and two other vessels, the names through safe and took the entire money ot which are not given, entered the contents, amounting to \$20,000. The

It appears to be incorrect that the robbers started southward toward the American ships finally anchored behind | Mexican border.

The Queen Appeals to the Czar. London, May 1. - It is reported from Berlin that the Queen Regent of Spain has appealed to the Czar for assistance. The Czar replied that he does will do whatever is possible.

Another Powder Works Explosion. The Clipper Powder Works, seven bullets. miles from Auburn, Cal., has been blown up. It is supposed that light ning caused the explosion. These works resumed operations a few days ago, after several months of idleness.

The Price of Provisions.

cents, flour 19 cents and lard 32 cents. Chickens are \$2.50 a piece.

War Notes. Japan has issued a declaration of

West enlisted. When last heard from, Gen. Gomez had in all the armies, 25,000 ablebodied free, there's no man more beloved than

The Mexican government has cautioned all employes to observe in ac- of brown will win a victory every day tions and conversation nentrality regarding the American-Spanish war. The masses of the people are undoubtedly for Cuba, but the Liberal party dey'll run a cullud man all day and trim. papers are for Spain.

the merchantmen on the east side of the bay. It should be the west side. Probabilities point in the direction of the second engagement having occurred through the Spaniards trying to prevent the landing of the American

Ships Completely Burned and Sunk. Madrid, May 1. - Midnight. - An offi-Ships Burned, Blown Up cial telegram received at a late hour from the Governor General of the Philippines, says: "Admiral Montejo has transferred his flag to the cruiser Islade Cuba from the cruiser Reina Maria Christina. The Reina Maria Christina was completely burned, as was also the cruiser Castilla, the other ships having to retire from the .combat, and some being sunk to avoid their falling into the hands of the enemy."

DEWEY'S VICTORY Means Probably an Early End to

the War.

Washington, May 1 .- An opinion, freely expressed by naval officers, is that the very decisive victory of Ad-Accounts Tell of No American miral Dewey's fleet will mean probably an early end to the war without future naval battles of importance. The American fleet is suggested now as supreme in the waters of Spain's possessions, Madrid, May 1, 6:30 p. m. -Advices especially in the Philippines. It was our demands in Cuba could this loss possibly be averted. Spain, it was argued, was confronted with the situamore fighting. The superiority of a superior fleet has been demonwhatever point of view considered, the war, upon the basis of Cuban inde-

powers and distinguish itself. In the dispatches from Madrid, the statement was made that Admiral Dewey effected a landing on the west side of Manila bay for the men of his fleet, who were wounded in the engagements. It was suggested in official circles that this landing had a two-fold purpose. It was not only that the wounded might have better care than they could receive on ship board, in the lations to Admiral Montejo and the face of other probable engagements, but valorous crews of the Spanish squadron also of carrying out what was known to for their good conduct under fire on the superior warships.

Official Spanish Report.

be Admiral Dewey's purpose to effect a junction with the insurgents as soon as possible. The insurgent rautrelease. The impression prevails forces surround Manila on the land that the Buena Ventura, the first on the Madrid, May 1, 8 p. m. - The follow- sides of the city, and with the in-lowing is the text of the official dispatch tention of securing control of Manila as soon as possible. As soon as the junction of the American and insurgent forces, the one on sea and the other on land, is effected, a demand is likely to the batteries at the entrance to the fort | be made for the surrender of the city, announced the arrival of the enemy's and in the event of a refusal, a comsquadron, forcing a passage under the bined attack would be made upon it. obscurity of the night. At daybreak The result of such an attack in the abthe enemy took up positions, opening sence of a Spanish fleet and effective

clusion. No news of a definite character is brilliant combat, protected by the Cav- given concerning the loss sustained by ite and Manila forts. They obliged the Admiral Dewey's squadron, and it is enemy, with heavy loss, to manoeuvre scarcely likely, in the opinion of ex-repeatedly. At 9 o'clock the American perts of the navy, that authentic information will be received until Admiral eign merchant shipping on the east | Dewey has opportunity to communicate officially with the Department. It "Our fleet, considering the enemy's is regarded probable that today Adsuperiority, naturally suffered a severe | miral Dewey sent the revenue cutter loss. The Maria Christiana is on fire | McCulloch back to Hong Kong, with and another boat, believed to be the dispatches, and that the first information will come from that point. The distance from Manila to Hong Kong is Captain Cardarazo, commanding the a trifle over 600 miles and it will take Maria Christiana, is among the killed. | the McCulloch about two days to make

No Protest by Germany or France. Washington, April 30. - It is semiofficially stated in the highest diplomatic quarters representing Prance and Germany, that no protest or representaa crushing defeat, the dispatches leave tion of any character respecting the operations of the American fleet at the tion whether the American squadron Philippine Islands, have been made, or are likely to be made.

> Blanco Burning Towns. Kev West, April 30. - It. is reported by Cubans tonight that Blanco is burning towns in the interior of Cuba.

Captured by Robbers. El Paso, Tex., May 1-The west bound Southern Pacific passenger train masked men two miles west of Com-

Killed Two Men Without Cause, Paris Sints, a desperado of the coal mines near Coeburn, Va., shot and killed a white man and a negro, without not consider it time yet for Russian apparent provocation. He attempted interference, but at the proper time he to make his escape, but the murders so incensed the bystanders that they shot Sints down, riddling his body with

Hart to Be Pardoned. The President has determined to pardon Captain John D. Hart, of the Laurada, now in prison in Philadel-At Santiago de Cuba meat is selling | phia, for filibustering, and whose liberat \$1 a pound, rice 24 cents, beans 21 ation has been asked by about every member of the Senate.

Original Observations. Don't let the Spanish needles stick

you when you get to Cuba. This government will now give to ov-One hundred and fifty Cubans in Key ery man uniform treatment. In all this land of the brave and the

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee.

The "blue and the gray" in uniforms without a fear or frown. Stephen Jones says he's "feard of cotch him arter dayk,"

Actual War.

Great Britain Has Always Taken an Advanced Stand in the Principles of Neutrality--More Advantageous to the United States Than Spain.

Washington, April 26.—(Special).— Conditions in Washington are rapidly settling down to those of actual war. Notices came to the State Department from the four quarters of the globe today, showing that the nations as a rule are prepared to assume an attitude of strict neutraltiy as between the United States and Spain in the present struggle. In most cases they were in answer to the identical note sent out by the State Department to all United States embassies and legations, instructing them to inform the governments of which they were ac-credited that war has existed since April 21st. Great Britain always has taken an advanced stand in the prin-Another Spanish vessel was burned.

The American squadron retired, having Spanish misfortune. Navy officers think this view must prevail with the Spanish returns of the neutrality proclamation. ish government and be the end of the mation issued in London. On the whole the officials are disposed to take pendence to follow soon, and that, the view that a strict adherence by too, without further notable opportu- Great Britain to these rules will be Spanish warships Mindano and Ulloa nity of the American navy to prove its | rather more advantageous to the United States than to Spain, particularly as sense, close to our own base of supplies, and in all probability soon will cut Spain off from the two bases that she now has in the reighborhood of Cuba. The President issued a proclamation during the day laying down the rules as to the seizures of prizes and tho result, it is believed, will be the release of some of the ships already captured, though it will be for the prize courts to determine in each case whether list of prizes, will be declared no prize. The case of the Panama, whose seizure is a more complicated one, owing to the fact, that while otherwise exempt, the ship was reported to have contained stapplies for the Spanish army in Cuba, which are contraband. It is noted that the administration has not been deterred by any criticism in Congress from again formally pledging itself to the nations of the world to refrain from privateering, and abide by the Declara-

ion of Paris, of 1856. The army reorganization bill became a law during the day and the War Department officials have begun to devise the best means of carrying out the purpose of the act, which will result in the reorganization of the army, and an increase to more than 60,000 men. In the War Department preparations went on with ceaseless energy for the organization of the volunteer army. All the officers were detailed who are to be sent to the various States, and there to muster Guardsmen into the service of the United States. The plans for the full organization of the army were also perfected. To provide officers for the regular army and volunteers Secretary Alger ordered the assignment to duty of all of the cadets at West Point Military Academy who would, in the ordinary course of events,

The greatest anxiety was shown at the Navy Department for news from the blockading squadron. Notwithbatteries, no were of confirmation came

have graduated in June.

To Muster in the Volunteers. tailed to muster in the volunteers by Secretary Alger: Georgia, Atlanta, Captain Oscar J. Brown, First Cavalry; that has tried to straighten out the re-North Carolina, Raleigh, Captain John C. Gresham, Seventh Cavalry; South Carolina, Charleston, Second Lieutenant Marcus B. Stokes, Tenth Infantry; Tennessee, Nashville, First Lieutenant S. Saye, Jr., Fourteenth Infantry; Virginia, Richmond, First Lieutenant to the vessels actually engaged on either side.

It appears to be incorrect that the dezvous, they are to notify the War Department at once.

> Cubans to Do Most Fighting. said today that it was his expectation that for the present and the immediate future the insurgent army would do the greater part of the fighting in Cuba. He added the statement that there was no intention of taking the militiamen and new recruits into Cuba until thoroughly inured to the hardships of actual military life, and that probably the regulars also would be held in this country until later in the the opinion that Admiral Sampson's fleet would take the first opportunity to form a junction with Gomez's army, and that there would thenceforth be perfect co-operation between these two organizations in conducting the war

against the common enemy. "The insurgents are the best men for this service at present," said the secretary, "And they can be trusted to do zealous work when well armed and well clothed." He said it was his understanding that the government would furnish the arms and munitions of war to fit out several regiments of the insurgents in good shape, and to put the entire Cuban army in good fighting

Conditions Rapidly Settling Down to Governor Russell Appoints the

Popular Commander.

ENGAGEMENTS NOT CONFIRMED ONE OTHER TO BE . NAMED.

The Appointment of the Second Colonel Not Made Encwn for the Present--Salary of This Officer is \$3,500 a Year.

Governor Russell has named Col. J. F. Armfield, of Statesville, to be colonel of the first regiment of volunteers. The appointment of Col. Armfield is a most commendable and meritorious one, and the Governor acted with great wisdom.

He is the popular colonel of the fourth regiment of the State Guard, and the twelve companies that have volunteered to go to Cuba, with but few exceptions are from the fourth regiment of the Guard. The fourth has been inspired with enthusiasm by their courageous and popular colonel, and his appointment is in the nature of a deserved reward.

Col. Royster, the Inspector General, expressed the opinion that Col. Armfield is the best drilled and equipped soldier in the State Guard. "He is an ideal soldier," Col. Royster re-

Col. Armfield is a son of ex-Judge Armfield. He is engaged in the tobacco business in Statesville, and is one of the most successful citizens of that place. Col. Armfield is of tall and we are now operating, in the naval commanding stature, and is handsome in appearance. North Carolina is proud of the appointment.

Governor Russell has the appointnent of one other colonel. As yet the Executive has not intimated whom he will appoint, as a matter of fact the Govereor does not know himself. The salary of the Colonelcy is \$3,500 per annum. It is the highest military appointment the State will receive, unless it should happen that the President give a Brigadier-Generalship to the

The following is a list of the companies who responded to the call of the Governor and offered their services to their country:

No. 1, Co. C, 1st Reg., Raleigh.
No. 2, Co. G, 2nd Reg., Charlotte.
No. 3, Co. D, 3rd Reg., Durham.
No. 4, Co. E, 4th Reg., Charlotte.
No. 5, Co. C, 4th Reg., Waynesville.
No. 6, Co. D, 3rd Reg., Reidsville. No. 7, Co. I, 3rd Reg., Reidsville. No. 8, Co. H, 1st Reg., Greenville. No. 8, Co. F, 4th Reg., Asheville. No. 10, Co. G, 4th Reg., Concord.

No. 11, Co. H, 4th Reg., Shelby. No. 12. Co. E, 2nd Reg., Maxton. No. 13, Co. B, 2nd Reg., Lumber Bridge. No. 14, Signal Corps, Concord.

The following companies are reported as having declined to volunteer: No. 1, Co. A, 1st Reg., Tarboro. No. 2, Co. B, 1st Reg., Scotland Neck. No. 3, Co. D, 1st Reg., Goldsboro. No. 4, Co. G, 1st Reg., Washington. No. 5, Co. D, 2nd Reg., Edenton. No. 6, Co. C, 3rd Reg., Henderson. No. 7, Co. E, 3rd Reg., Oxford. No. 8, Go. F, 3rd Reg., Franklinton. No. 9, Co. A, 4th Reg., Statesville.

A Collapsed Land Boom.

A legal advertisement which appeared in the Durham papers of last week con-tained the material for a long story with a moral. It is headed "Sale of Valuable Suburban Real Estate," and narrates the fact that 250 acres of land near Trinity College will be sold July standing the frequent reports that came from two unofficial sources of engage- some years ago by the West Durham some years ago by the West Durham ments between the fleet and the shore | Land Company and was afterwards transferred to the Consolidated Land and Improvement Company. It was widely advertised, and one or two reported to the House. This was auction sales were held. Some of the Today the following officers were de- lots were sold and paid for; others were sold and not paid for, and now the land is to be sold at auction in pursuance of an order of the court lations of the two land companies.

Prominent North Carolinian Dead. News has been received of the death of Hon. Sol. C. Weil, who died in New York city of catarrh of the stomach.

Mr. Weil had recently removed to New Moved an adjournment, which was carried. necessary to change the place of ren-dezvous, they are to notify the War the ladder of political fame. He was an especially brilliant man, and a lawyer of unusual ability, as was exhibited on many occasions while Assistant United States District Attorney for his Washington April 26. - Secretary Day | district in this State during President Cleveland's last term. Deceased had a host of friends throughout North Carolina who will be painfully shocked to hear of his death.

No May Term Federal Court. District Attorney Holton at Winston has received official notice from Circuit Judge Charles H. Simonton, stating that the May term of the United States Court for that district, which was to have opened at Asheville Monday, has been adjourned until the fourth Monseason. The Secretary expressed day in June next. The reason for adjournment is that there is no judge for that district, and the circuit judge is engaged to attend the Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond.

North States Items.

The survey of the Cape Fear and Northern railroad is now in progress. As soon as it is completed the work of grading will begin.

The government has let out the contract to jut up telephone lines from Beaufort to Cape Lookout life saving station and light house, twenty mile; distance. There will be a line from Cape Lookout to Portsmouth station, and from there to Ocracoke and thence to Hatteras, to connect with telegraph line that goes to Norfolk.

Naval Appropriation Bill as Agreed to Carries \$57,000,000. THE SENATE.

APRIL 28TH.—Again today the Senate was in the attitude of waiting for business to reach it. A few bills of unimportant character were passed, but no business of general interest was trans-acted. Pasco, of Florida, presented memorials from the floor of the House concerning the interference with coast-wise trade by the men-of-war. Mr. Pasce said that the matter was becoming serious, as American vessels were being forced by the conditions existing to refuse business. He thought the committee on commerce ought to consider the subject promptly, and the memorials were referred to that committee. A joint resolution was passed directing the Secretary of War to submit plans and estimates for the proposed improvement of Hillsboro Bay,

APRIL 29TH.—At to-day's session of the Senate the report of the conferees on the naval appropriation bill was presented and agreed to. The measure as eral importance.

THE HOUSE.

APRIL 26TH. - The war revenue bill was reported to the House today, and by arrangement made, the debate will contestant, Dr. Wise, who is a Republican, by a party vote. Speeches for the contestant were made by Crumpacker, Republican, of Indiana, and Grosvenor, Republican, of Ohio, Jones, Democrat, of Virginia, followed for the contestee. and Cummings, conferees.

APRIL 27TH. —The general debate direct orders on any of these move-upon the measure framed by the ways ments. and means committee to meet extraordinary expenditures of the war with Spain, opened in the House today. It will continue through tomorrow and on Friday at 4 o'clock the vote will be taken. There was a signal absence of that partisan rancor which has always heretofore characterized debates on revenue measures. Both sides, speaking through their respective leaders-Messrs. Dingley and Bailey-concurred in the necessity which existed for the immediate raising of hundreds of millions to prosecute the war, but the opposing doctrines which they held clashed at the first outset over the methods by which the revenue should be raised. The reading of the bill

occupied one hour and ten minutes. APRIL 28TH. - The general debate on the war revenue bill closed tonight, after eight and a half hours of speech-making. The debate today lacked both spirit and interest. There was little discussion of the internal revenue fea-tures of the bill. The Democrats continued their assaults on the bond feature and their advocacy of the income tax. The latter was ridiculed as a substitute proposition by the Republicans. The authority to borrow money was de-fended by them as absolutely neces-sary. There is a difference of opinion on the Democratic side as to whether the bill should be voted for upon its final passage after the minority amendments are voted down. A number of the Democrats, led by McClellan, of New York, have announced their purpose of so voting, but the majority of the Democrats believe they could not justify a vote for a bond issue. APRIL 30TH. - The House passed the bill providing for the organization of a naval battalion to consist of not more than four companies, in the District of Columbia. At 4:29 the House ad-

journed. APRIL 29TH. -The House passed the war revenue bill, with only the amendments agreed upon by the Republican members of the ways and means committee added. In order to accomplish this a parliamentary manoeuvre was necessary, as the whole time for amendments was used by the minority in try-ing to amend the bond feature of the bill. Dingley offered as a substitute an entirely new bill, containing these amendments, after the bill had been an old parliamentary trick frequently resorted to years ago. Boutelle, Republican, of Maryland, chairman of the committee on naval affairs, presented the conference report on the naval bill. Cannon, Republican, of Illinois, made the point of order that the conferees had exceeded their juris-diction in that they had added over \$500,000 above the differences between the houses, and had also added provisions that were not in conference.

Ginger Her Tipple. An unusual form of inebriety was

presented for treatment at Bellevue recently. It was that of a woman who cared nothing for alcoholic beverages, but was afflicted with the Jamaica ginger habit. She says she has an uncontrollable desire for ginger, as it produces a stimulating effect, but does not intoxicate her, and she believes she could live on it. She ate little food when she could obtain the drug, and she cared for no other kind of drink. Dr. Carolan placed the woman among the alcholic patients. A curious feature of the case is that when a child she was unusually fond of ginger snaps, and ate them in the way that many girls eat candy .- New York Commercial-Advertiser.

Reunion of South Carolina Veterans The annual reunion of the South Carolina division, United Confederate Veterans, was held at Charleston on the 27-28th. About 1,500 old soldies were in attendance and great enthusiasm was displayed by them in spite of very inclement weather.

National Guard Going to the Camps, Washington, April 27,-Word was receieved here tonight to the effect that the National Guard in a number of States had started for their respective State camps. Intense enthusiasm was manifested at the departure of the troops.

Eight Large Steamers Chartered to

Convey Troops.

NEW BATTLESHIPS AUTHORIZED

Troops Being Mobilized at Tampa May Be Ordered at Once to Cuba. 8,000 Men to Compose the Advance Guard.

Washington, April 28.—The shelling

of the Matanzas batteries was the topic of absorbing interest throughout naval perfected carries a little more than of absorbing interest throughout naval \$57,000,000. No other business of gen- and official circles generally, today. It was discussed on the basis of the press reports from Key West, as the Navy Department received no information whatever on the subject. Secretary Long said that no report had been received begin tomorrow and continue at night from Admiral Sampson, nor was the sessions until Friday. At 4 o'clock on Navy Department advised in any way of that day the vote will be taken. The the shelling of Matanzas. Mr. Long adcontested election cases of Wise vs. ded that he felt no disposition to keep Young, from the second Virginia district, was decided today in favor of the such an important event as a naval ensuch an important event as a naval eugagement, or a battle. The Secretary said that in the absence of all official information, he was inclined to believe that the shelling was confined to the ex-change of a few shots, and did not asof Virginia, followed for the contestee. Sume the proportions of a regular bom-The Senate amendments to the naval bardment. When his attention was appropriation bill were non-concurred directed to reports that the shelling in and a conference requested. The was the result of direct orders from the ras the result of direct orders from the Speaker appointed Boutelle, Hilborn President, the Secretary said this was not so, as the President has given no

> Will Move on Cuba. Jacksonville. Fla., April 28. — A special to the Times-Union and Citizen from Tampa, Fla., says: The news of the bombardment of Matanzas forts by Admiral Sampson reached here this afternoon, and soon after Col. Melville A. Cochran, commanding the First Provisional Brigade of Tampa Division, received a talegraph from Washington. received a telegram from Washington instructing him to hold his command in readiness for immediate departure, with rations for thirty days. The orreferred to, is being whispered about horse in prime condition. Price 25 among the officers in the rotunda cents per package. of the hotel this evening. Although no definite orders have as yet been re- N. C. ceived it is expected the Twenty-second Brigade will receive a similar message from Washington within a few hours. Officers here expect that all the troops now stationed at Chickamauga will be here in a few days. The troops consist of 3,600 cavalry, ten batteries of artillery of 500 men and 2,500 infantry, or a total of 6,600 men. On the arrival of these troops it is quite likely that they will be organized into brigades and regiments for transfer to Cuba.

The Spanish Fleet. London, April 29 .- The mystery re garding the movements of the Spanish men-of-war is still unexplained. The secretaries at the Spanish embassy, interviewed on the subject, ridicule the statement that the squadron at Cape Verde is delayed by lack of coal. According to advices via. Bayonne, the battleship Pelayo, fully equipped, has gone to Cadiz. Reports that she has been cruising in the company of other vessels probably means that she has been trying her boilers. It is believed that the squadron at Cape Verde Islands has really been waiting the arrival of the Pelayo and the Alphonso XIII, and other men-of-war. Now that Portugal has declared neutrality, the fleet will be

re-enforced or not. Ordered to March. The Governor of North Carolina has issued orders for the volunteers to to mobilize at Raleigh on the 2d. The receipt of the telegrams was the signal for renewed enthusiasm on the part of the troops of the various commands. The volunteers were given several hours of drilling; uniforms were secured, business arrangements made by men of affairs, and everything pertaining to military life quickened.

Steamers Chartered. A rather striking sign of the imminence of the invasion of Cuba was con-tained in the chartering today, by the War Department, of eight large steamers of an average capacity of about 2,-000 tons, and able to carry from 500 to 1,200 passengers each. These are to be used as transports for the conveyance of the first military expedition to Cuba. The Navy Department has ceased its purchase of ships for conversion into war vessels, owing to the exhaustion of the \$50,000,000 war fund. It is confidently expected that Congress will come to the relief as the Department is still in need of auxiliary yessels.

Battleships Authorized. The board of bureau chiefs met today, to begin the consideration of the plans for the three new battleships authorized by the naval appropriation bill, and progressed so far that circulars will be sent out tomorrow inviting bids from the ship-builders. The vessels will be in the main very similar to the battleship Illinois, now building at Newport News. They will be at about 12,500 tons displacement, 75 feet beam, 234 feet deep, 16 knots speed, will be covered with heavy armor, and armed with 13 and 6-inch gnus, in addition to numerous secondary batteries. It can be stated authoritatively that there is no present prospect of a change in the head of the Navigation

News Notes.

Bureau.

Correspondents of American newspapers will be expelled from sessions of the Spanish Cortes at Madrid. Philadelphia capitalists are inter-

ested in pushing water works of great

magnitude at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. The national convention of the Republican College League, to be held at Indianapolis in May, has been post-poned until October.

MANTANZAS BOMBARDED

No Casualties on the American Side-Believed Some Spaniards Killed. Copyrighted, 1898, By the Associated Press. On Board the Flagship New York, April 27, 2 p. m.-The New York, Puritan, and Cincinnati bombarded the forts at the mouth of the Mantanzas harbor this afternoon. There were no casualties on our side, but it is be-lieved that the hail of iron that was pounded in the forts must have caused loss of life to the Spaniards, though nothing is known definitely. The ennothing is known definitely. The engagement commenced at 12:57 and ceased at 1:15. The object of the attack was to prevent the completion of the earth works at Punts Gords. A battery on the eastward arm of the bay opened fire on the flagship, and this was also shelled. About twelve eight-inch shells were fired from the eastern forts, but all fell short. About five or six lights shells were fired from the half completed batwere fired from the half completed bat-tery. Two of these whizzed over the New York and one fell short.

The ships left the bay for the open sea, the object of discovering the whereabouts of the batteries having been accomplished. In the neighbor-hood of 800 shots were put on land from the three ships at a range of from 4,000 to 7,000 yards.

Rear Admiral Sampson, when asked if he was satisfied with the result, said: "Yes I am; I expected to be." The half-completed Spanish earth-

works and battery were apparently ploughed up by the shells.

All the ships engaged showed excellent markmanship throughout, and when they were firing at the shortest range nearly every shell took effect. The forts which were bombarded were on a low-lying point and were considered merely earthworks. They did not make a good target, yet when the big guns were fired at the shortest range, portions of the fort could be seen flying in the air at every shot.

The flagship returned to Havana, and the Puritan and Cincinnati were leit on the Matanzas station.

Tetter. Salt-Rheum and Eczema. The intense itching and smarting, inci-

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders, are just what a horse needs when in bad condition. Tonic, blood purifier and der from Washington relating to the vermifuge. They are not food but movements of the First Brigade, above medicine and the best in use to put a

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Lee on Waiting Orders. A special from Richmond, Va., says Gen. Fitzhugh Lee is on waiting orders and has no present intention of going to Washington until summoned there. He has received no challenge to a duel from Lieutenant Ramon de Carranza, late naval attache of the Spanish lega-tion, at Washington. He knows nothing more about the matter than what has been printed in the newspapers. Should a challenge come, General Lee

will ignore it. Spaniards Run Out of a Virginia Town Two Spaniards, with bears, were run out of Jonesville, Va. One was seriously hurt, but they escaped.

Just imagine the fun Emile Zola can have with the publishers after this cruel Paris trial is over. Write for 50 francs a word? Im-pos-ee-ble! Also, parbleu!

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