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DEWEY'S START FOR HOME

He Will Go Directly to His Vermont Home.

HE DEPARTS FROM MANILA.

Guns Boom, Bands Play and Sailors Cheer—Dozens of Caps Left Bobbing on the Water in the Wake of the Departing Olympia.

MANILA, By Cable.—The cruiser Olympia, with Admiral Dewey on board, left here on her homeward journey to the United States at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon. As she steamed away the Oregon, Baltimore and Concord fired an admiral's salute. At the first shot the band on the flagship's after deck played a lively air and her white clad sailors crowded the decks and gave a tremendous cheer. As the Olympia passed the Oregon, the crew of that battleship gave nine cheers for the Olympia, who responded by throwing their caps so high that dozens of them were left bobbing in the wake of the cruiser. Then followed the noisest half hour known in this harbor since the battle which linked its name with that of Dewey. The din of guns and brass bands echoed through the smoke, a fleet of steam launches shriked their whistles, the musicians of the Baltimore played "Home, Sweet Home," her flags signaled "Good-Bye," and those of the Oregon said "Pleasant Voyage." The merchant vessels in those waters dipped their flags, the ladies on the decks of the vessels of the fleet waved handkerchiefs, and the great, black British cruiser Powerful, which lay the farthest out, saluted the Olympia. The latter's band then played "God Save the Queen," and to this the crew of the Powerful responded with hearty cheers for the Olympia. The last music heard from Admiral Dewey's ship was "Auld Lang Syne," while the guns from the forts at Cavite and from the Monterey, on guard off Paranaque, too far to be audible, puffed white clouds of smoke. The Olympia was disappearing past Corregidor Island when a battery before the Walled City spoke Manila's last word of farewell.

A New Memorial Association.

COLUMBUS, O., Special.—A number of the Southern delegates to the Ohio Water-Works Association, accompanied by a party of ex-Union and ex-Confederate soldiers, visited the cemetery at Camp Chase, where 2,000 Confederate dead are buried, and the result was the organization of a memorial association having for its object the promotion of fraternal feeling between the North and South. The following temporary officers were chosen: Rev. John Hewitt, of Columbus, president; General Walter Payne, of Fostoria, vice president; Mayor Samuel Swartz, of Columbus, secretary, and Col. W. H. Knauss, of Columbus, treasurer. A permanent organization will be effected at the Confederate memorial exercises in this city next month.

The Reina Mercedes Sighted.

CAPE HENRY, Va., Special.—Captain Gray, of Big Kinnakett Life Saving Station, 16 miles north of Hatteras, reports a large cruiser in tow of two tugs with another tug following, passing his station bound North, at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The tugs were of a dark color and carried two masts each. The cruiser was painted white and carried two masts and two smoke stacks. The vessels were too far of shore to signal, but the cruiser is presumed to be the Reina Mercedes. The Mercedes will reach quarantine at Fisherman's Island early Monday morning and unless the crew has a clean bill of health from Santiago, they will be detained there five days before coming into Hampton Roads.

A Big Southern Combination.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Special.—A consolidation of Southern steel and iron and railroad interests, which will be reorganized with a capital of $15,000,000, has been practically completed. The syndicate is headed by capitalists interested in the Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke Co. President George L. Carter, of the latter company, has been working on the consolidation scheme for the past twelve months.

Asked to Recognize the Exposition.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Special.—Governor Stone has sent to the Governors of all the States of the Union, a letter requesting that they officially recognize the National Export Exposition, to be held here next fall, asking that they invite the various industries of their States to take part in it.

Worsted Yarn Trust. Capital $50,000,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Special.—The Record says: "The worsted yarn trust, to be known as the United States Worsted Yarn Company, with a capital of $50,000,000, is practically an assured fact, and all that remains to be done is the matter of formal organization.

Negro Desperado at Bay.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—Humphrey Taylor, a negro suspected of the Rosenstein murder, at Slidell, Md., shot and killed Police Sergeant Fritz Passau, wounded Policeman Gow, and kept a posse of a half dozen officers at bay from the loft of a house for nearly two hours. Dozens of shots were exchanged between the officers and the fugitive, who only surrendered when preparations were made to burn the premises.

Filipino Commissioners Arrive.

MANILA, By Cable.—Two military and two civilian Filipino commissioners, appointed to co-operate with three citizens of Manila, in negotiating terms of peace, arrived here at 8:15 a. m. Saturday. They have submitted no new proposition, but want an armistice, pending the session of the Filipino Congress. Major General Otis has refused to entertain the proposal.

Rev. Dr. Edward Everette Hale has resigned the pastorate of the South Congregational church, in Boston, after a service of forty-three years.

SOUTHERN COTTON SPINNERS MEET.

An Important Gathering of Mill Men at Charlotte.

The third annual session of the Southern Cotton Spinners' Association met in Charlotte last Thursday. There were over 100 prominent cotton mill men in attendance, representing every section of the South, while a number of commission men from Northern cities were also present. About fifty new members were elected. This was one of the most successful and largely attended convention yet held by the Association.

The meeting was called to order by President D. A. Tompkins, who addressed the Association as follws:

"An association of manufacturers should be founded upon the basis of a sentiment expressed by Robert Y. Hayne, who speaking upon the subject of a new Railroad said:

"'I know of nothing except the Christian religion that can be compared with the influence of a free social and commercial intercourse for softening asperities, removing prejudices, extending knowledge and promoting human happiness.'

"The purpose of this association is to promote free social and commercial intercourse. It is no part of its purpose to undertake any sort of control of the business of its members. Whatever actions may be taken will relate to general subjects as for example, freight rates, export trade, and such like subjects. Chambers of Commerce and Boards of Trade exist in all parts of the world to bring about co-operation of special manufacturing interests for the general benefit of the interests represented. These organizations do not undertake to control businesses of individuals or corporations, and yet legislative bodies in this country and abroad confer with these organizations as to proper legislation relating to trade and manufacturers."

At the afternoon session the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Dr. J. H. McAden, Charlotte.

Vice President—J. P. Verdery, Augusta, Ga.

Secretary and Treasurer—George B. Hiss, Charlotte.

Mr. E. H. Sanborn, representing the National Manufacturers' Association, delivered a lecture before the Spinners' Association. He told how the United States are rapidly extending their export trade to all parts of the world, and said that a gain of $20,000,000 had been made in our commerce during the past year. Mr. Sanborn said this country is now rapidly approaching Great Britain in her commercial interests abroad. He showed steriopticon pictures of the goods on exhibition by the Association in Caracas, Venezuela, as well as the foreign ports in which the United States trade is extending. The convention then, after some routine business, adjourned. A banquet was held at the Central Hotel, at which 200 mill men were present.

An unusually large attendance at the Teachers' Assembly at Morehead City, June 13-18, is predicted by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Mebane, who is deeply interesting himself in the matter.

The State printers have begun the the delivery of the laws and Senate journals of 1899.

Suit has been brought in Burke Superior Court by Jacob W. Deal against J. D. Elliott, the Hckory contractor, for $5,000. Deal was injured by the falling of a stairway in the new blind institution at Raleigh while working for Elliott, who was the contractor.

Bill Lone, who went to Cuba with the First North Carolina Regiment, has presented Sheriff McDowell, of Burke county, with a fine specimen of the Cuban knife. It has a blade about 15 inches in length. The knife closes like an ordinary pocket knife, and by some peculiar arrangement of the lock spring the knife makes a terrible grating noise when the blade is opened that gives one a cold chill. The handle is of brass.

Both Legs May Come Off.

Two negro men on Mr. J. R. Wallace's place in Mecklenburg county, get into a dispute, which ended in Jim Hanes empting two loads of shot into Doc Johnston's legs. Dr. C. E. Walker was summoned and he says the legs will have to be amputated.

President John C. Kilgo preached the dedicatory sermon of Shiloh church in Columbus county on Sunday.

Mr. Lequeux Wins a Prize.

The Penny Magazine some time ago offered a prize of $10 in gold for the best suggestion made to curtail the liquor traffic. Rev. H. D. Lequeux, pastor of Alamance and Springwood churches, sent in one and was awarded the prize. His suggestion was to require no license to sell, but that every drinker or buyer be required to take out a license, a certified copy of it to be posted in every saloon, with a heavy forfeiture for selling to any one not having the proper paper.

Mrs. Louiset Bourdesoule DuBatz Cutlar, relict of the late Dr. Fred Jones Cutlar, died in Wilmington Friday. She was 60 years of age.

The corner stone of the new Masonic Temple at Wilmington will be laid on Thursday. Col. Julian S. Carr will deliver the oration.

Capt. Michael Hoke is back in Lincolnton on a visit after 16 years absence in the West. His wife, who was Catherine Jones, of Sims, North Dakota, and his two sons, are with him. Says The Journal: "In 1864 he was appointed chief of the transcribing department in the office of the surveyor general of Washington, and has since resided at Olympia."

Evangelist Clarence B. Strouse, editor of The Religious Review of Reviews, is closing a revival in Wilmington, held in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium. Mr. Strause was formerly a horse-racer and society man. His father and George Muller, of England, were close friends, and young Strouse was on the Bristol man's prayer list. He was eventually converted at Mr. Schoolfield's meeting at Salem, Va.

A big meeting of the incorporators of the Kinston and Jacksonville railroad was held at Jacksonville last Monday. Books of subscription to the stock of the railroad will be opened.

STATE SQUIBS.

Peabody Scolarships.

There will be eight vacant scholarships for this State the coming year in the Peabody Normal College, Nashville, Tenn., on account of the retirement of the following scholarship students: Kate Bagley, Emma D. Conn, Blanche Dupree, W. G. Reeves, J. V. Simms, W. M. Stancell, L. W. Trivitte, Sally C. Smith. These persons were appointed by competitive examination by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction a year ago. To fill these vacancies President Payne nominates the following students now at the college from North Carolina: M. C. Mosley, Elkin; L. E. Messick, Jonesville; Bessie Cheek, Whitehead; Electa Foote, Roaring River; Ethel E. Barker, Jonesville; T. K. Lisk, Morganton; E. M. Hampton, Jonesville; D. L. Strader, Bason. Superintendent Mebane has appointed the above and given them notice of the appointment. This leaves ny vacancies, to be filled by appointment. Two years ago there were eight such appointments.

The Naval Reserves.

Governor Russell has been notified by the Secretary of the Navy that the Naval Reserves Battalion of North Carolina will receive $2,328.15 as their share of the naval militia fund of the Federal Government. The money will be used for equipping the Naval Reserves with guns, haversacks, canteens, ammunition, etc. The Government furnishes uniforms outside of this appropriation. The Reserves will be armed with Lee magazine rifles of the very latest patern. They already have a large Hotchkiss gun. The appropriation last year was less than one-half of what it is this year. The larger appropriation will add much to the strength and efficiency of the organization.

St. Mary's New President.

The trustees of St. Mary's School have unanimously elected to the rectorship of that school Rev. T. D. Brattan, of Spartanburg, S. C. Mr. Brattan is rector of the Episcopal church at Spartanburg, and holds the chair of history in Converse College for Women. He is the son of the late Gen. John Brattan, and both by birth and culture, as well as personal character, is thought to be pre-eminently fitted for this exalted position.

The New Rules.

The penitentiary committee devoted all day to the preparation of new rules and had a long conference with Capt. W. H. Day. There were 18 new rules. One of these provides that all bills must be approved by the chairman of the executive board before being paid. Another requires that there shall be only one purchasing agent and that all purchases must be made by him. Another prescribes a new system of book-keeping. Some of the committee are dissatisfied with the expenses of the central prison, and say that they are too high, and that the penitentiary will go in debt this year unless there is reduction.

Davidson Commencement.

The annual commencement of Davidson College will take place June 4th to 7th. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached on Sunday, June 4th, at 11 o'clock by Rev. J. R. Howerton, D. D., of Charlotte. Sermon to the Y. M. C. A. will be preached Sunday night by Rev. W. B. Arrowood, of Laurinburg. The literary address will be delivered by Hon. R. B. Glenn, of Winston on Tuesday. The laying of the corner-stone of the Martin chemical laboratory will take place also on Tuesday, June 6th. The alumni banquet will be given on Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Commencement day proper on Wednesday, June 7th, changed from Thursday. Reduced rates will be given on all the railroads.

Mt. Olive will vote on the 18th of May on the proposition to establesh a graded school.

Salisbury has organized a military company to bear the historic name of Rowan Rifles.

Inspecting The University.

Major W. A. Guthrie and Capt. W. H. Day, members of the executive committee of the board of trustees of the University, have been on an annual visit inspecting the University. They expressed themselves highly pleased with the condition and progress of the University. They andressed the students in the chapel Tuesday morning.

Tar Heel Notes.

The Seaboard Air Line contemplates having an additional train between Charlotte and Rutherfordton—a train to enable people of the Western division of the Seaboard Air Line to arrive in Charlotte at 9 a. m., and return at 5 p. m. The train in regular operation leaves Charlotte in the morning and arrives there at night.

The Episcopal Convention for the western diocese convened at Tarboro, Wednesday, in Calvary church. The trains brought in large crowds. The convention organized by electing Dr. M. M. Marshall, of Raleigh, president, and Rev. J. E. Ingle, secretary.

The proprietor of the Hotel Dewey at Hendersonville says that as soon as they have lionized Admiral Dewey sufficient he intends to write him to accept the hospitality of Hotel Dewey for a rest. And he feels confident he can induce him to visit the famed "Land of the Sky."

The directors of the Wadesboro cotton mill Monday declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent, on the stock of the mill payable July 1. This is the first dividend the company has ever declared.

Major Davis, U. S. A., is now at work re-organizing the State Guard. This re-organization is made necessary by the return of the First North Carolina Regiment to the State.

Invitations have been issued to the seventh annual commencement of the State Normal and Industrial College, Tuesday and Wednesday May, 23rd and 24th, at Greensboro.

J. Tillman Howard has been arrested in Wilmington, charged by his wife with abandonment. The case is pending. Howard has been released on his own recognizance.

TROUBLE IN CUBA NOW.

The Cubans Want to Retain Their Arms.

THE PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY.

New Memorial Association Organized.—A Big Southern Combination---Asked to Recognize the Exposition.

HAVANA, By Cable.—Havana is in a ferment again over the idea that the Washington administration has determined to take the arms of the Cuban troops and to retain them in military possession. This view of the latest news from Washington has been telegraphed to the various cities. Governor General Brooke is thus far unaware, save through press telegrams, of any dissatisfaction on the part of General Alger, Secretary of War, with his (General Crooke's) plan to have the arms deposited in the care of the mayors of the municipalities, nor has he received any other inkling of the Secretary's purpose to lay the matter before President McKinley. Consequently the governor general's order respecting the distribution of the $3,000,000 as modified, was issued Saturday. The Secretary of War has been informed of the substance of this order, in the usual course of business.

Havana's midday papers publish the Washington news, some of them commenting editorially upon it. As the point about where the arms are to be kept appears to be thought of vital importance in Washington, the conviction announced there that the mayors cannot be trusted with them, is a cause of fresh discontent just at the moment when the various complications appeared to be unraveled. The mayors are the appointees of the governor general, and when the Military Assembly dissolved, they were made its representatives to receive the arms. Article 4, of the agreement between Gen. Gomez and Robert P. Porter, President McKinley's special representrtive, runs as follows: "The Cubans shall surrender their arms to the Cuban Assembly, or to its representatives."

Gen. Gomez, who at the time of coming to the agreement with Mr. Porter, had not quarreled with the Assembly, insisted upon this point. Since the quarrel he has again raised the point repeatedly, saying also that Mr. Porter brought full written authority from President McKinley, and in the President's name, agreed that the arms should go into the custody of the Assembly, or its representatives.

The Presbyterian Assembly.

RICHMOND, Va., Special—The first business of the second day of the General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church was the appointment of standing committees. A memorial was received from the superintendent of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union suggesting that the fourth Sunday in November in each year should be set apart as an annual temperance Sabbath. It was referred to a committee on bills and overtures. A communication was received from Rev. J. Lewie Howe, of Lexington, Va., bearing upon the representation of this Church on the board of trustees in the United Society of Christian Endeavor. Referred. Various overtures from Presbyteries on the hymn book and other questions were received and referred.

THE $1.000.000 Twentieth Century Fund.

CINCINNATI, O., Special.—Rev. J. W. Hamilton, corresponding secretary of the Methodist Bishops, has announced the plan and appeal of the bishops for the $1,000,000 Twentieth Century fund for the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, and the extension of the society's work in the West Indies and the Philippines.

Shafter in Charge of Alaska.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—The War Department has turned over to General Shafter the complete direction of all military affairs in Alaska. The only general instructions sent to him has been to relieve the soldiers who have been stationed in Alaska, by fresh troops, it being deemed unwise to attempt to retain men in that climate fo more than one year at a time.

Will Test Wireless Telegraphy Before Laying Cable.

HALIFAX, N. S., Special.—The question of establishing communication by cable between Halifax and Sable Island, which has been under consideration by the Canadian authorities for a long time, has led to a desire that wireless telegraphy be fully tested before the expense of laying a cable is undertaken. It is also proposed to make experiments with the wireless system between shore points and coast lighthouses, with a view to determining its value in connecting points closer together than are Sable Island and the Nova Scotia mainland.

Arrived at Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—The President and Mrs. McKinley, with the friends who accompanied them, reached Washington at 5:30 Saturday, over the Baltimore & Ohio. The stay of 12 days at Hot Springs was one almost entirely of rest, the only break being a day's run to Natural Bridge a week ago. The outing has been of great benefit to the President, and he resumes his official duties thoroughly refreshed and invigorated.

Wages Increased for 7,500 Men.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Special.—An increase in wages for 7,500 men was the result of the annual scale conference between the American Flint Glass Workers' Association and the Association of Flint and Lime Glass Manufacturers, which adjourned in Pittsburg. Of this number 1,500 skilled workmen will receive an increase of 10 per cent. and 6,000 unskilled men will receive an advance in proportion. The advance will go into effect at the beginning of the next fire, and will restore to the men the wages they received in 1892 and 1893.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL.

The Venture Still Holding the Public Attention.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—Admiral John Walker, the president of the Nicaraguan Canal Commission, called at the State Department, and had a long talk with Secretary Hay, respecting the work of the commission, and the course to be pursued by the new Isthmian Canal Commission, which is to be appointed to carry forward the work of the present Nicaraguan Canal Commission. Admiral Walker was able to announce the completion of the work of the present commission and promise to have the final report ready for submission to the President by next Monday. He intimated that the estimated cost of the projected canal was $125,000,000, the mean between the estimates of the individual members.

A Wordy War.

Members of the State Law and Order League of Connecticut attempted last week at Canaan to put some 3,000 gallons of hard cider where it would do "no more harm" by smashing the barrels containing it in front of the town hall and letting the stuff run away. Much of it found its way across the square and into the basement of Christ Church, where it threatened to ruin the carpet of the Sunday school room. A vestryman stopped the smashing of the barrels after a wordy war with the smashers, in which nearly the whole town took sides.

Recruits for Cienfuegos and Havana.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—The funeral ship Crook which has been transformed into a regular army transport, sailed Saturday from New Savannah, Ga., where they will embark the Second Regiment of Infantry for transportation to Cienfuegos, Cuba. The transport Dixie, which brought the Fouth Regiment of Immunes home from Manzanillo, also left New York Saturday with about 600 recruits for Havana.

A Newport News special to the Baltimore Sun says: "The preliminary trial trip of the Battleship Kearsage, which is further advanced than her sister ship, the Kentucky, also building here, will take place early next month, and her official trial trip will follow in about two or three weeks. The shipyard people hope to have the Kearsage ready to go into commission about two months after her official trial trip, which will be about September 1.

Corbin Visits the President.

HOT SPINGS, Va., Special.—Adjutant General Corbin has arrived here bearing some documents upon which he desires the President's action. It is understood that they refer to the situation in Cuba, regarding the plan for the disarmament of the Cuban troops. A question has been submitted by General Brooke, whether or not the arms should be turned over to the mayors of towns, or to United States officers.

The Extra Session of Congress.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Special.—President McKinley has not yet given consideration to the subject of an extra session of Congress. This statement was made here officially and was brought forward by published announcements that an extra session had been decided upon on the one hand, and on the other that such a session would not be called.

T. P. A. Officers Elected.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Special.—The National Travelers' Protective Association has elected Lucien V. Lataste, of Alabama, president; W. R. Johnson, of Knoxville, vice-president, and L. T. Labeaume, of St. Louis, secretary.

The Raleigh Sails from Charleston.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Special.—The cruiser Raleigh, Capt. Coghlan, sailed at noon Tuesday for Portsmouth, where she goes out of commission. She will be thoroughly overhauled and remodeled.

Meets Next Year in Richmond.

COLUMBUS, O., Special.—The American Water-Works Association adjourned to meet next year in Richmond, Va., on a date to be fixed by the executive committee. Papers were read by H. C. Hodgekins, of Syracuse, on "Economic Arrangements and Construction of Substructures and Streets," and by Prof. A. M. Bleile, on "Practical Value of Bacteriological Examinations."

A Public Reception to Admiral Schley.

OMAHA, Neb., Special.—A public reception was given Admiral Schley in the rotunda of the city hall. Notwithstanding the intensely disagreeable weather at least 10,000 people cheered. Conspicuous among those who pressed forward to grasp the hand of the admiral were the school children, who were evidently his enthusiastic admirers. The admiral was vigorously cheered as he left the city hall.

The funeral of former Governor Roswell P. Flower, of New York, took place Monday in St. Thomas church, Fifty-third street and Fifth avenue, of which he was vestryman.

Bills of indictment have been submitted to the grand jury in the United States district court against the principals and alleged co-conspirators in the great revenue stamp counterfeiting case recently exposed by secret service men. Among the bills is one charging Former United States District Attorney Ingham with conspiracy, and his law partner and former assistant in the district attorney's office, Harvey K. Newitt, with bribery of Secret Service Operative McManus.

Colonel Enrique Colazo, of the Cuban army, publishes a card in La Lucha in which he tells the Cubans that "the hour has now arrived, without doubt, when we should unite against the Americans with the same energy with which we fought the Spaniards." A meeting was held Monday to decide finally upon the acceptance or refusal of the American terms.

The employes of the big pipe plant of the American Pipe and Foundry Company, at Bessemer, Ala., have been granted an advance of 10 per cent. in wages. A strike which lasted one day brought concessions.

AGUINALDO SEEKS PEACE.

The Insurgent Leader and his Cabinet Finally Cornered.

SENDS A COMMISSION TO OTIS.

It is Believed That Aguinaldo's Commissioners Will Accept Any Terms the Americans May Demand—The Filipinos at Last Realize That it Means Extermination or Surrender.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—General Otis cables the War Department that the reports are that Aguinaldo is seeking terms of peace and that the forces of the insurgents are scattering in the mountains. Following is Gen. Otis' cablegram:

"MANILA, May 18.

"Adjutant General, Washington.

"Representatives of the insurgent cabinet and Aguinaldo are in the mountains, twelve miles north of San Isidro, which was abandoned on the 15th instant. Will send in commission tomorrow to seek terms of peace. The majority of the force confronting MacArthur at San Fernanda has retired to Tarlac, tearing up two miles of railway. This force has decreased to about 2,500. Scouting parties and detachments are moving to-day in various directions. Kobble, with his column, is at Candaus, on the Rio Grande. A great majority of the inhabitants of the provinces over which the troops have moved are anxious for peace, and are supported by members of the insurgent cabinet. The aspect of affairs at present is favorable.

"OTIS."

The dispatch of General Otis was immediately sent to the President at Hot Springs. Secretary Alger said it was encouraging and that it was apparent that the Filipinos realized the strength of the United States and saw that resistance would mean extermination for them, if they persisted in defying authority. Speaking of the part taken by the volunteers in the Philippine campaign, the Secretary says that instead of wishing to be home, they would not have missed it, as it was an event in their lives, especially as the hard fighting has been crowned with success. The Secretary believes that the commission which Aguinaldo is sending to General Otis will accept any terms proposed by the United States.

Soap Trust, $50,000,000 Capital.

CHICAGO, Ill., Special.—A special to The Chronicle from St. Louis, Mo., says: Leading soap manufacturers of New York, Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Kansas City and Nashville are organizing a gigantic combine. Plans have been practically completed at recent meetings held in St. Louis and Chicago, and will be finally clinched at a session to be held in Cincinnati next week. It is said the new combination will have a capitalization of $50,000,000, one-half of which will be 6 per cent. preferred, and the balance common stock.

A Lamp Chimney Trust.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Special.—A combination of three of the largest manufacturers of lamp chimneys in the world, and controlling the output of the United States, has been practically completed. The George A. MacBeth Glass Company, and the Thomas Evans Glass Company, have been merged into the MacBeth-Evans Glass Company, and the Libbey Glass Company of Toledo was absorbed by it. The company will have a capital of $3,000,000 and will operate the five best chimney plants in the United States.

The Filipinos Decide to Continue the War.

LONDON, By Cable.—The Filipino junta here, has received a message from Aguinaldo, via Hong Kong, saying that the Filipino government has decided to continue the war at all costs until independence is secured.

The Czar's Peace Conference.

THE HAGUE, By Cable.—The peace conference called by the Czar of Russia was opened at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, in the hall of the Huis Ten Bosch, or the "House in the Woods," two miles from The Hague. M. De Beaufort, president of the council and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Government of the Netherlands, delivered the inaugural address and welcomed the delegates.

The Dewey Home.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—One day's contributions to the Dewey Home fund amounted to $2,016, of which $1,158 came from the Brooklyn Eagle, and represents collections made by that paper. The total so far received by the national committee, is $2,685.

Killed By a Train.

LONDON, By Cable.—The Earle of Strafford, who married Mrs. Samuel K. Colgate, in Grace Church, New York City, last December, was instantly killed Tuesday evening at Potter's Bar, by the Cambridge express.

Ignored the President's Orders.

NEW YORK, Special.—A special to the World from Washington says: "General Brooke was instructed by the President to insist that the arms of the Cubans be turned over to officers of the United States army. Instead, General Brooke agreed with General Gomez that the arms shall be surrendered to the mayors of the Cuban cities. General Corbin left for Hot Springs to learn from the President whether or not he will insist upon his original order to General Brooke being carried out."

The Surrender at Hand.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—War Department officials are convinced that the end of the insurrection in the Philippines is at hand, and that the representatives of the insurgent cabinet of Aguinaldo, who are to meet Gen. Otis will succumb to the inevitable and surrender. Their forces are evidently so utterly demoralized by the present advance of the Americans that they are ready to accept peace on the best terms they can obtain

THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.

The South.

The steamer Dauntless, formerly famous as a filibuster, was released by the United States Court at Jacksonville, Fla.

The Southern Baptist Convention, in session at Louisville, Ky., selected ex-Mayor Robert C. Davidson, of Baltimore, to join a delegation of English Baptists in a personal appeal to the Czar in behalf of persecuted Russian Baptists.

The Third Kentucky regiment was mustered out of the service at Savannah Ga., Tuesday. The officers and men got off during the afternoon for their home. The muster out was uneventful.

The first annual meeting of the Street Railway and Electrical Association of Virginia was held in Richmond Tuesday. Most of the Virginia cities were represented and a number of interesting papers were read.

The Rev. G. J. Millan said at the annual meeting of the American Tract Society in New York last Wednesday that in ten Southern States last year the Mormon church obtained more recruits than the Presbyterian church.

The Methodist ministers of Atlanta have passed resolutions calling for the appointment of a committee to urge upon the forthcoming annual conferences a movement for an extra General Conference to reconsider the Publishing House matter, the disposition of which, it is alleged, is not satisfactory.

Gov. Sayers, of Texas, says that as soon as the legislature adjourns he will address a letter to the Governors of all the States asking a meeting at some suitable time and place with the Attorney Generals for the purpose of considering and agreeing upon an effective anti-trust law, to be presented to the different legislatures.

A Charleston special to the Columbia State says that the Southern Railway Company has purchased the Carolina Midland, and will build a connecting line 25 miles long from Columbia to Perry's Station. This means that the Southern has adopted the Carolina Midland as a link in its Florida extension from South Carolina.

Sam McGowan, of Washington, D. C., was defeated at Savannah, Ga., by Tom Corcoran, of Savannah, in a fight for a $500 purse. McGowan lasted only ten rounds out of a proposed twenty. During the ninth and tenth rounds McGowan was terribly punished and was as bloody as a beef. There were repeated calls for the police to stop the fight.

The tenth annual convention of the National Travelers' Protective Association was called to order Tuesday, at Library Hall, in Richmond. There were present 298 delegates, accompanied by about 1,500 visitors. The session was devoted to the exercises of welcome. Among the addresses delivered was one by Joseph Wallerstein, of Richmond, Va., formerly president of the association.

The alleged slighting of Gen. Joseph Wheeler at Charleston on Wednesday last is explained by Col. Fred Robinson, of the adjutant general's staff, as follows: "Gen. Wheeler was not in the parade because the negro boy who was sent to carry his horse to him, through inattention or natural stupidity, carried the horse to the wrong number and remained there holding the horse until the procession was over.

The North.

The British ship Selkirk, Capt. James S. Crowe, from Manila for the United States, ran on Apo reef, at the south extremity of Negros Island, in the Philippines, and became a total less. All on board were saved. The Selkirk was owned by Martin Dickie.

Sir O'Connor Moore, eleventh baronet who succeeded his father, Sir Richard Emanuel Moore, in 1892, has been ejected from his lodgings in London owing to his inability to pay a shilling for a week's accommodation.

The $30,000,000 window-glass trust is a certainty. Leases have been closed which place 93 per cent, of the productive facilities of the country in control of the new combine.

After next Thursday no miner in the Cour D'Alene district of Idaho will be permitted to work there unless he renounces membership in the union that is held responsible for the present strike.

Students at Princeton attacked a parade of Pawnee Bill's Wild West show and a pitched battle took place in which many were injured.

During a storm at Canal Fulton, O., the wall of a school house was blown in and the pupils were injured, some of them quite seriously.

Two hundred section hands on the Pittsburg Division of the Pan Handle Railroad have struck for an advance in wages of fifteen cents a day. They are now getting $1.20 a day.

The operators and miners at Pana, Ills., have submitted their differences to the State board of arbitration and that body will commence the hearing of the case at Pana next Friday.

The Navy Department's floating dock, recently bought in New York, will be sent to Pensacola on June 1, government tugs taking it down.

White Coal Mining Company, which has mines in Centre, Clearfied, Jefferson, Cambria and Somerset counties, Pa., and which is one of the largest producers of bituminous coal in the world, has notified its employes of an increase in wages, to go into effect June 1. Miners will receive 50 cents a ton for picking and 25 cents a ton for loading after machines.

An immense plant for the construction of steel freight cars will be added to Chicago's industries. The establishment will have a larger capacity than any other steel car building plant on the continent. A corporation with a capital of $10,000,000 will be organized within the present month and will start out with contracts already placed for the construction of 700 cars. All of the plants now engaged in the building of steel cars in the United States are located at Pittsburg, and their extreme capacity is contracted 18 months ahead. The Chicago concern expects to be able to put its first cars on the market about July 1.

SAN ISIDRO CAPTURED.

The Second Insurgent Capital Falls Before the Americans.

NEGRO DESPERADO AT BAY.

General Hampton Declines the Gift of a Home.—The Cubans Cooling Down.—Dewey Presented with a Jeweled Sword.

MANILA, By Cable.—General Lawton's advance guard, under Colonel Summers, of the Oregon troops, took San Isidro, the insurgent capital, at 8:30 o'clock Wednesday morning. The expedition under Major Kobb, of the Third Artillery, consisting of the Seventh Infantry, a battalion of the Ninth, and one battery of the First Artillery, left Calumpit at daybreak, marching up the Rio Grande to join Lawton's division at Arayat.

A flotilla of Cascoes, loaded with supplies, also proceeded up the river. Both forces were convoyed by gunboats under Captain Grant. Aguinaldo's ex-secretary, Excamilio, who was arrested here on February 23d, is now employed as official interpreter by the authorities.

Lynchings in Illinois.

ATLANTA, Ga., Special.—A communication has been received by Attorney General Terrell from a State's attorney in Illinois, containing statements which are being read with much interest here. The writer, in preparing a paper to be read at a convention of State prosecutors in Illinois, refers to Attorney General Terrell for information as to capital punishment in Georgia. In the course of the letter the Illinois official says: "We have capital punishment in our State for murder only, and for the last few years in this part of the State we have had six or seven lynchings for the crime of rape, and I am inclined to believe that it is most as good a record as is claimed here for some of the Southern States."

Dewey's Jeweled Sword.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—A notable feature of Admiral Dewey's arrival in Washington, will be the presentation to him by the President of the superb jeweled sword, made by authority of Congress, as a testimonial from the government. The sword was completed some time since, but owing to its delicacy and great value, it was deemed best not to send it to the admiral. It is now in a safe deposit vault, awaiting his coming. The presentation to the officers and men of the admiral's flagship of the handsome medals authorized by Congress will occur probably at the same time.

General Hampton Declines the Gift of Home.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Special.—General Wade Hampton has written a card to the people of the State, in which he feelingly and gratefully declines to accept the home it was proposed to build for him, replacing the home recently destroyed by fire. He says the reward of a citizen who has done work for the State is "Well done, good and faithful servant." He prizes the people's commendation more than any gift.

Natives Returning Home.

MANILA, By Cable.—Although the rebels still threaten San Fernando in considerable force, large numbers of natives, a majority of them being families with their household goods, are returning daily to the towns inside the American lines, at Apalit, especially. Many of the richer Filipinos are coming to Manila and laborers are resuming work in the rice fields. The latter show their respect for American sovereignty by removing their hats to the passing trains.

A cyclone struck Akron, O., Tuesday afternoon and did much damage. The storm struck the tents of Main's circus and they collapsed upon the crowd. Policemen had hard work to prevent a panic, but the spectators were finally released without injury. In east Akron the Biggs Boiler Company shops were badly damaged and a portion of a stone wall fell upon the office roof, crashing through it and completely wrecking the interior.

An Extraordinary Tragedy.

UNION CITY, Tenn., Special.—Reports of an extraordinary tragedy at Haynes Mill, near Typtonville, reached here Wednesday night. Three women, a Mrs. Mattox, Mrs. Edwards and Miss Brogden, waylaid a Mrs. Covington and attacked her with clubs, whereupon the latter drew a knife and stabbed Mrs. Mattox through the heart, killing her instantly. Mrs. Covington then plunged the weapon into the back and lungs of Mrs. Edwards, inflicting fatal injuries. The tragedy grew out a quarrel among the children of the women.

Everything Quiet and Peaceful in Havana.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—The following dispatch has been received at the War Department:

Havana, May 17.

"Adjutant General, Washington:

"General Wood reports as a result of his recent trip through this department that everything is quiet and peaceful. Reports of brigandage are absolutely without a foundation. The people are working everywhere. Similar conditions prevail in other departments. BROOKE, Commanding."

The Cubans Cooling Down.

HAVANA, By Cable.—Cuban emotion has taken a swift turn toward moderation. All the political groups and the 15 daily newspapers of Havana realize that a cessation of wild talk is desirable. Even the acrobatic members of the late Military Assembly went about soothing their excited followers. The meetings of the National League Wednesday night, though largely attended, were orderly, all the speakers advising calm reflection before any movement is begun, lest violent incidents might be precipitated by rashness.