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WILMINGTON, N. C. THURSDAY, MAY 12, 1898.

SPECULATIVE AS TO RESULTS AND PROBABILITIES.

Where is Admiral Sampson, and what has become of the Spanish fleet at Cape Verde are questions of interest?

But if the fleet has really returned to Spanish waters beyond the Atlantic it means probably a final abandonment of Cuba and Porto Rico.

The return of the Spanish fleet to Cadiz might be the signal of an outbreak or revolution all over Spain and the immediate overthrow of the Alphonse.

With bread riots at Madrid and revolution threatening the dynasty, it would really seem the part of wisdom for the Spanish government to try to arrange a settlement at once with the great republic.

There is a report from Madrid of 23th that the Spanish troops had evacuated Manila, but that lacks confirmation.

The campaign in Cuba is to be short and decisive, comes from Washington. The first regiments to enlist are to go there.

We are not disposed to attach any importance to the report from Washington on 10th that the Spanish fleet may be steaming for the Philippines.

CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure.

LITERARY GOSSIP. "Hugh Wynne," Dr. Weir Mitchell's greatly overrated novel, although a good one, has reached its fiftieth thousand.

At Raleigh, as at Wilmington, a company has been formed to take the place of the absent company of State Guards.

The unveiling of the monument at Asheville to the noble, able and most popular of North Carolinians, Zebulon Baird Vance, was well done, patriotic and done.

It was a well selected theme on the part of the speaker at Raleigh on Memorial Day, Col. Burgwyn, when the late ex-Representative, ex-Senator, and ex-Confederate Brigadier-General Thos. B. Clingman was reviewed in his career.

Elizabeth Grant, in her "Memoirs of a Highland Lady," makes many expressions blunders showing an utter incapacity for appreciating great authors and great productions.

Send your address to H. E. Buckle & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits.

London "Literature" sticks sensibly to the old style of "liter" form. Carlyle's lectures delivered in 1838, were long lost but were recovered by Professor Skararia in the library of the Royal Asiatic Society in Bombay.

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NORTH CAROLINA.

Stenitz Webb, of Burke, was found Sunday morning roaming the mountains, as if wild, his mind being entirely gone.

At the Guilford county convention on Saturday, the delegation was instructed to vote for T. J. Shaw and D. Schenck, Jr., for Judge.

Hendersonville Times: M. V. Richards, land and industrial agent of the Southern railway, arrived yesterday morning with a party of gentlemen.

Raleigh News and Observer: "There are about 250 populists in Edgecombe county, about fifty of whom are in the democratic primaries last week."

Whiteville News: Hon. T. D. McDowell, an old and prominent citizen of the Southern part of the State, died at his home in Elizabethtown on Sunday, the 11th inst.

Charlotte Observer: The democratic county convention of Rutherford county, to elect delegates to the judicial, congressional and state conventions, was held Monday, and was largely attended.

Charlotte Observer: Miss Annie Morrell boards at 203 Liddell street. Yesterday morning she received a letter from her mother, Miss M. S. Morrell.

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