THE SUSPENSE OVER

Officials Relieved by Positive News of Spanish Fleet in Santiago.

GUARDED BY SCHLEY'S SHIPS.

This Information Comes to the Department from Perfectly Reliable Source... The Military Situation Simplified ... Official Dispatches Expected from Commodore Sehley---Many False Sensa-

tional Rumors...M. C. Butler, of South Carolina. Made Major General and W. C. Oates, of Alabama, a Brigadier.

here disclosed.

nations to the senate:

Oates, of Alabama.

Cable, of Virginia.

to a committee.

member of congress.

Washington, May 28 .- The navy de- | and ultimately proved to be groundpartment received information today which for the first time relieved the officials of the anxiety and doubt they have felt for the last few days, and satisfied them on two vital points. First, that the Americal fleet under Commodore Schley was outside of Santiago harbor and, second, that Admiral Cervera's fleet was inside that arbor. This information came from ivate sources which naval officials regard as thoroughly reliable. It is from the same source that gave the navy department the first information, almost a week ago, that the Spanish squadron was inside of Santiago harbor. This source of information has of Virginia, and Otto Becker, of Georproved itself reliable thus far and for | gia. that reason the news received today was accepted as conclusive. It did not come from any naval or state dedartment officials. There is little doubt, however, that it will be supplemented by official advices from Commodore Schley, if, indeed, such ad-

thing from Schley. The officials were in a state of expectancy, having 'learned from the press dispatches from Kingston that the scouting vessel Harvard was there with reports for the department. Sec-retary Long went to the review at Camp Alger during the afternoon and his absence no information was

vices are not already here, though up

to the close of office hours, the navy

department had not bulletined any-

elying on the private advices received, naval officials feel that the entire military situation is simplified and the powers of mischief by the Spanish fleet are at an end. One distinguished officer remarked that as a result of the information received he felt ten years younger since yesterday. He had been seriously apprehensive that the Spanish fleet had succeeded in getting away, but the information of today relieved his mind on that point. He said that Commodore Schley could now spare several of the ships from his squadron to permit them to join in offensive demonstrations elsewhere. All Schley needs, it is pointed out, is a small force to watch the entrance of Santiago harbor. Two battleships and two cruisers would be ample for this service, as such a force would largely

the Spanish squadron. In this way Admiral Cervera's fleet can be pocketed without keeping a large number of American ships out of active service at other needed points. In calculating upon keeping the

Spaniards penned up in this fashion the officials have taken into account ed commander of the Olympia. the possibility of the dispersion of the American blockading fleet by one of the tropical cyclones that are almost due at this season. The American fleet in such case would be obliged to cut and run for some neutral port or to make its way by force into one of the Cuban ports for shelter. In either case there might be an opportunity for the Spanish fleet to make its escape providing the commanding officers are willing to take the desperate chance of going out in weather heavy enough to compel the big American ironclads to seek shelter, unless we block the harbor by scuttling boats in the channel. On her way to this country the Vizcaya passed through some very severe weather almost approaching the cyclonic, and proved that vessels of her class are able to withstand such storms with perfect

During the day the navy department posted a bulletin giving re-The was the only specific bit of infornation given out during office hours. It was a day replete with rumors, some of them of a very sensational nature, but the various reports of sanguinary battles failed of verification

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IN WESTMINSTER AEBLY

The Last Funeral Rites Over the Remains of the Late William E. Glad-

London, May 28 .- In the northern transept of Westminster abbey, where Engfand's greatest rest, the body of the late William Ewart Gladstone was entombed today with the ceremonies of the nation he had served and of the church he had

His grave is beside that of his life-

long adversary, Benjamin Disraeli (Lord Beaconsfield), whose marble effigy looks down upon it decked with the regalia which Gladstone had refused. Two possible future kings of Great Britain walked beside the great commoner's coffin and all the mobility and learning of the state surrounded it, though the wish of the deceased had been for simplicity. This official funeral, the first since Lord Palmerston, was rendered an imposing aspect by the magnificence of the building in which it was solemnized. The coffin rested on an elevator bier, before the altar, its plainness hidden beneath a pall

of white and gold, embroidered with the text, "Requiesat in Pace."

Six tall candles were beside it, and on either side stood the supporters of the pall. The prince of Wales and the duke of York were at the head of the coffin and ranging behind them were the marquis of Salisbury, the earl of Kimberly, A. J. Balfour, Sir William Vernon Har-court, the duke of Rutland, Lord Rosebery, and Mr. Gladstone's two old time friends, Baron Rendel and George Armis-

Within the chancel stood the dean of Westminster and behind him were gathered the cathedral clergy, the archbishop of Canterbury and the scarlet and white surpliced choir filling the chapel.

The mourners, who sat in the stalls nearest to the bier, were Mrs. Gladstone, her sons-Herbert and Stephen-and other members of the family, with little Dorothy Drew, Mr. Gladstone's favorite grandchild. The princess of Wales and the duchess of York occupied the dean's To be Chief Surgeon, with Rank of pew, opposite.

In tiers of temporary seats in the north and south transent were assembled the members of the two houses of parliament, the mayors of cities, delegates from liberal organizations and representatives of other civic and political organizations, while the long mave was crowded with thousands of men and women, among them being most of the celebrities in all branches of English life, and every gallery, balcony and niche high up among the rafters, held a cluster of deeply interested spectators. In all 2,700 persons were assembled in the abbey, all clothed in the deepest mourning save a few officials whose regalia gloomed brilliantly from this sombre The procession that accompanied the

• be Brigadier General.

to Her Armament.

rican Naval Victory.

Fortifications at Key West.

'AT CAMP RUSSELL.

Companies of Second Regiment Lettered and Formed into Battalions. Colonel Burgwyn Takes Command.

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, W. C., May 28.-The two most interesting occurences at camp Russell today were the drawing for position of companies and dress parade. Following is the result of the drawing: Company A, Fayetteville, Captain Huske; B. Rutherfordton, Captain Bell; C, Lenoir, Captain Jones; D, Greensboro, Captain Gray; E, Greenville, Captain Smith; F, Lumber Bridge, Captain Cobb; G. Gastonia, Captain Durham; IH, Asheville, Captain Wagoner; Il Tarboro, Captain Jeffries; K, Wilmington, Captain MacRae; L, Nantahala, Captain Gibson; M. Murphy, Captain Cooper. The drawing was done by order of the secretary of war and it was odd tnar Captain Huske, the last one to draw, should get company "A," which is, of course, the

Battalions were also formed as follows: First battalion, Major Wilder companies, A. G. K. and D; second battalion, Major Dixon, companies B. H., L., and E.; third battalion, Major Cotten, companies C., I., M., and F. At dres parade Colonel Burgwyn's first order was read, making announce-ments of companies and battalions as

above In this order Colonel Burgwyn assumed command and said: "The material of the regiment is all one could wish. To make the regiment equal to the expectations of its friends self, denial, unquestioning obedience and strict attention to duty will be necessary and the colonel feels assured he will be lovelly supported by the officers and by the rank and file."

Logan D. Howell will, June 6th, tender his resignation as superintendent of the Raleigh public schools, having become quartermaster sergeant of the Second regiment of volunteers. Henry G. Connor, resigns and his resignation is accepted, as trustee of the Agricul-tural and Mechanical college. Captain Carl Jeffres was the last man

mustered in the Second regiment. There are only eight men in the hospital, one case each of mumps, measles, and poison bak, and five of chills and

Major James H. Young of the negro battalion sa's T. R. Mask, of Wilming-

IMPORTANT EVENTS OF THE DAY.

lina, to be Major General and Hon. W. C. Oates, of Alabama, to

Proof is Positive that Cevera's Fleet is in Santiago Harbor.

Thirty-Three Companies have Made Tenders of Service in

The St. Louis Comes Home to Have Some 5-inch Rifles added

No Arrests have yet Been Made for the Attempt to Blow Up

At Cape Haytien there are Unconfirmed Rumors of an Ame-

Commodore Schley is Sure he has Covera Bottled up in

The President Nominates Hon. M. C. Butler, of South Caro-

Spanish Fleet, After a Long Chase, Run to Earth in Santiage Harbor.

SCHLEY'S HUNT FOR THE ENEMY

He Stops off Cienfuegos Thinking He has Him Secure There---Finding His Mistake, He Goes on to Santiago Where he Gets Information

> of the Fleet's Presence ... Santiago Poorly Protected ... The Only Danger From the Mines --- The Blockade --- The Army Ready to Move ... A Chase ... Question as to Disposition of Cervera's Fleet.

(Copyright by Associated Press.) Key West, Fla., May 28.-It is now almost certain that Commodere Schley has the Spanish fleet bottled up in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba. There is so little doubt about it that the naval campaign is proceeding upon the assumption that Admiral Cervera is in cap able of doing any harm. Within a few days, the exact conditions of Santiago de Cubal will be know- without a shadow of doubt.

In spite of asertions to the contrary Commodore Schley was not absolutely sure of his game when he last communicated with Rear Admiral Sampson and the commodore will not take active steps to block up the entrance of Santiago harbor until he is perfectly certain that Admiral Cervera's ships are inside. However, he may have done this already, as Commodore Schley's last communication, forwarded on Thursday, only reached Rear Admiral Sampson yesterday.

The commodore stayed three days at Cienfuegos. He signalle to his ships 'I believe the Spanish fleet is in the Harbor." On this belief a message was sent to the American admiral. The details, if Commodore Schley found out that he was mistaken are not yet known. At any rate, acting on the admiral's instructions, the commodore then moved east, arriving outside Santiago de Cuba on Wednesday morning,

The topography of Cienfuegos and Santiago de Cuba is almost identical Both harbors are about six miles long, with narow entrances, about 300 yards wide and protected by highlands. A whole fleet could lie in the harbor of either place and be invisible from the outside.

fter his experience at Cienfuegos, it is probable that Commodore Schley was very conservative in deciding whether or not he had caught Admiral Cervera. From the tone of his dispatches it is evident that the commodore soon gained much second hand and external evidence which pointed to Admiral Cervera's presence in the inner harbor. This evidence was apparently strong enough to make the commodore feel certain the object of his trip had been accomplished, but in view of his previous experience, he would not risk a decisive statement until further ascertaining the fact for

Before this dispatch is published it is likely that Commodore Schley has sen't some vessel into the entrance of the harbor of Santiago de Cuba, or has obtained from a reliable source ashore information as to the exact number and the names of the Spanish warships sheltered by the hills about that place.

SANTIAGO POORLY PROTECTED. Contrary to the generally expected opinion, the harbor of Santiago de Cuba is poorly protected. Like Havana and San Juan de Porto Rico, it has its Morro castle, which is even a better target than those of Havana and San Juan. The only danger to be feared is from the mines which have been laid in the channel of Santiago since war was declared. But, countermining would probably render these mines harmless, should it prove desirable for Commodore Schley's ships to enter the harbor. Suct a step however, is unlikely. It may be noted that since the commencement of the naval operations, the moral effects of the mines has been great. This condition promises to continue and will probably mark the naval operations to a greater extent than ever imagined in the past.

The blockade of northern Cuba continues uneventful and is apparently successful. The measure of precaution which Rear Admiral Sampson adopted up to yesterday to guard the eastern and western pasages did not destract from the efficacy of the blockade. Now that the element of uncertainty

regarding the Spanish ships' whereabouts is almost entirely removed, the ships which were solely occupied in watching for the Spaniards have become an additional force for the blockade, and without any inconvenient change of position. Commodore Schley has been reinforced but his position was clearly so strong that the re-enforcement which he received made no difference to the strong fleet in norther Cuban waters.

The rumors of the sailing of a second Spanish squadron did not worry Rear Admiral Sampson in the slightest degree. His feelings on the subject were apparently expresed when he said; "I am perfectly satisfied that we have bagged these fellows" (referring to Admiral Cervera's ships.)

THE ARMY READY TO MOVE. For the second time since war was declared the admiral has been notified that the army is ready to move. This is good news to all the naval officers. By great good fortune, no accident has occurred of sufficient importance to render any of our ships utterly helpless or beyond the aid of towing during the fleet's cruising for the past month.

| Such accidents, however, are quitewithin the bounds of possibility. During the week's cruise of the flagship New York from Matanzas toward

the eastern end of Cuba and back there were few incidents of interest Everything centered in the news from Commodore Schley and dissapointment was visible in every face when it became generally known that the commodore was mistaken in thinking he had Admiral Cervera bottled at Cienfuegos, but this feeling soon gave war to renewed enthusiasm when news was received from Santiago de Cuba. This really was more acceptable than the reports from Cienfuegos, for, had Admiral Cervera succeeded in effecting a landing at Cienfuegos he would most likely have been able to transport his alleged cargo of arms and ammunition to Havana, while from Santiago Cuba it will be almost impossible for

him to do so. A CHASE.

The sharpest kind of a lookout was kept on Thursday and Friday. The squadron's cruise was made in better weather than during the first part of the week. The noon too, lightened the work of peering after the Spaniards and a chase last night was the only event worth recording. he New York had left the fleet far behind and was speeding toward Key West, with the Vesuvius as consort. As the sun was going down a sail was sighted. With foam swishing her bow, the flagship steamed toward the strange sail. She was rapidly overtaken and proved tobe the bark Varonica Arundel, Norway. from Apalachicola to Queenstown with lumber. The vessel was not detained. 6 p. m.-Admiral Cervera is imprisoned at Santiago de Cuba. Advices to this effect were brought here this afternoon by an auxiliary gunboat which arrived from Cienfuegos, presumably

with dispatches for Washington. Last Sunday the Scorpion left Cienfuegos and proceeded eastward on scout duty, going as far as Santiago de Cuba. Five of the auxiliary ships were then lying off there, apparently waiting the arrival of the main division of the squadron. After an unevented trip the Scorpion returned to Cienfuegos, but found that Commodore Schley hald gone, having left orders for her to return to Key West. The officers of the gunboat when questioned as to Admiral Cervera's whereabouts expresed no doubts of his presence Santiago de Cub

All was reported quiet along the south coast of Cuba up to the time of her departure; and nothing was known of the Marblehead's rumored attack on the Cienfuegos blockade houses.

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Another Powder Mill Blown Up Penn's Grove, N. J., May 28-By the exlosion of a mixing mill at the smokeless powder works of the Dupont Company ark Canary's Point, near here, this afternoon William Brown, a workman of Pennis Grove, was killed: Thomas Shoulders, of Penn's Grove, injured and three miles

The explosion is supposed to have been caused by a pebble in the mixing trough The mill caught fire and the flames were communicated to two other mills near has and they were also destroyed. Francis G. Dupont, Alexis Dupont and Pierre Dapont, superintended the work of putting out the fire. While the sparks were figsmall warehouse near one of the burning. mills and removed 200 pounds of gun cot ton to a place of safety at the risk of their lives.

> Surpreme Court Decisions (Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., May 28-The suprement court filed the following opinions: Herndon vs. Alspaugh, per curiam, crder affirmed; Kenney vs. Railroad from Davidson, affirmed; Weisel va. Cobb, from Pasquotank, petition to rehear dismissed. The court adjourned



ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK

Mr. Waties, the remaining brigadier The Spanish Reserve Squadron Leaves Cadiz. named today, is a young man in business in Houston, Texas. The Senate Tables the Proposed Corporation Tax Amendment to the War Revenue Bill. MANILIANS LIVING ON RICE. The navy department this afternoon Admiral Dewey is Short of Provisions and Ammunition. made public the following despatch: There is no Truth in Reported Injury to the Cruiser Bal-"Hong Kong, May 27, 1898, 'Via Cavite, May 25. The Remains of W. E. Gladstone were Interred in Westminster Yesterday.

'Secretary of the Navy, Washington': "No change in the situation of the blockade. It is effective. It is impossible for the people of Manila to buy provisions except rice. The captain of the Olmypia (Gridley) condemned by medical survey. Is ordered home. Leaves by Occidental and Oriental steamship from Hong Kong, on the 28th. Commander Lamberton appoint-

less, so far as the reports reaching

APPOINTEMENTS BY THE PRESI-

The president today sent these nom-

To be Major General of Volunteers-

teers-James R. Waits, of Texas; Nel-

son Colé, of Missouri, and William C.

To be Commissary of Subsistence,

with Rank of Captain-Charles Ellet

To be Additional Paymasters-Geo.

vey, of Florida; Charles Albert Smylie.

Hon. M. C. Butler, who was today

nominated by the president to be ma-

jor general of the army, is ex-Senator

Butler, of South Carolina. He served

during the civil war in the confederate

army and afterward was prominently

identified with the stirring events that

marked the reconstruction peried in

the south. He was endorsed for the

position by many United States sena-

tors of all parties and his nomination

gave general satisfaction in the sen-

ate. He was endorsed by both the

South Carolina senators. His nomina-

Hon. W. C. Oates, of Alabama, who

was today appointed a brigadier gen-

eral, was also a confederate officer. He

was for many years a member of con-

gress from Alabama and has since

been governor of his state. He is a

one-armed man as Senator Butler is

for a brigadier's position, is a promi-

nent business man of St. Louis, Mo.

He was an officer in the union army

during the civil war and is an ex-

Mr. Cole, who was also nominated

tion was confirmed without reference

Major-Frank S. Bourns, of Georgia.

Matthew C. Butler, South Carolina. To be Brigadier Generals of Volun-

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GRAND REVIEW OF VALUNTEERS One of the most brilliant military pageants enacted since the grand parade of the federal troops down the streets of Washington at the close of the civil war occurred at Camp Alger this afternoon when President McKinley reviewed the troops now quartered there. It was the first time in over thirty years that an army of volunteers rendezvoused in time of war passed in review before the commander-in-chief of the army and navy and the demonstrations attracted many thousands from Washington and the surrounding country to the camp grounds near Falls church. There were

12,000 troops in line. Immediately on the arrival of the presidential party the line, 12,000 strong, began moving. The review lasted more than two hours. The men passed the presidential stand in comassuring advices from Admiral Dewey. pany front with arms port. The appearance of each regiment was folshouting. Through the review the president sat on a platform in front of the stand. with a few exceptions, my of volunteers made an imposing appearance and the reviewing party was highly pleased with the result.

> Warships Seen at Different Points Kingston, May 28.-11:30 p. m.-A dispatch from Port Antonio says the lookout on H. M. S. Indefatigable, which is in that port; reported seeing three vessels which he thought were Spanish ships, several miles off the coast steaming in a westerly direction. This announcement has caused Americans here to feel con-

eerned for the safet; of the United States gunboat magie, now in port. St. Johns, N. F., May 28.—The telegraph operator at Trespassey shortly after 7 o'clock tonight, a ned as follows: "Three strange vessels, apparently warships, have been maneuvering off here since 5 o'clock. Two of the m are large steamers, apparently cruisers, and the third is a apparently cruisers, and the third is a smaller steamer, much faster than the others, probably a torp edo boat destroyer. The latter is within a couple of miles of shore apparently keeping in neutral British waters. The other, are two miles further off, dodging smaller craft."

The local magistrate at Tre spassey tel-egraphed later that three steamers were plainly visible off there today. He gave a similar description of the vessels to that furnished in the first dispatch. The identity of the vessels can only be conjectured as the weather this after noon was unfavorable for accurate ob-

Colon, Colombia, May 28.—A dispatch that camnonading was heard to the southeast of that island last night.

remains to the grave was composed of i ton, its surgeon and W. L. McNair, of most of the notable people in London, and the funeral services were full of pathos. The bishop of London officiated and the archbishop of Canterbury pronounced the benediction.

the Third North Carolina Volunteers.

great composure, throughout the service. Her face was lifted upward, her lips were moving as though repeating the lines of the services. The prince of Wales, the duke of York and the other pallbearers shook hands with Mrs. Gladstone, the mourners defiled past the grave, taking a last view of the coffin, and when they had been escorted down the nave, to the entrance, the people slowly departed.

Mrs. Gladstone stood bravely, with

Memorial services in honor of Mr Gladstone were held today all over Eng-

S. M. Geary, Pierson, Mich., writes: -"DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is curing more piles here today than all other remedies combined. It cures eczema. and all other skin diseases." For sale

LATEST NEWS FROM DEWEY

He is Short of Provisions and Ammunition-The Baltimore Not Injured. Another Cable Cut.

Hong Kong, May 28.—There is absolute ly no truth in the report that the United States cruiser Baltimore, now at Manila, has been damaged by an external

The United States auxiliary cruiser Zafiro, which arrived here at midnight yesterday, reports that Rear Admiral Dewey is short of provisions and am-

The Havile-Manila cable, it is said, was cut by the Americans on May

A brush between the insurgents and the Spanish occurred near Cavite on May 20th. The entire American fleet is at Cavite. The report that some of the American ships had sailed for Hollo, where the Spanish gunboat El Cano is suposed to be, is incorrect. The incendiary fires continues. The

Laurinburg, hospital steward. There are up to tonight thirty three ten ders of companies for the Third regiment. The principal musicians appointed are: Arthur Theobold and Thomas Janling.

Camp Russell is being made very The only inconvenience about it is that a large building separates the camp into two sections, and prevents regularity, but there are other counterbalancing advantages. Your correspondent witnessed the

first dress parade from the third floor of the grand stand and the sight was very pictur sque, only complete uni-form and equipment were needed to make the regiment impresive. The first battalien paraded only three companies as all of the officers of company A were bury with Captain Gresham, the mustering officer. The second bat-talion also paraded only three compan-ies, company E being absent with leave Three companies of the first battalion were uniformed and two in the third

Captain Huske was officer of the day today, Captain Jeffries will be tomor-

When a man is suffering with an aching head a sluggish body, when his muscles are lax and lazy, his brain dull, and his stomach disdaining food, he will, if wise, heed these warnings and resort to the right remedy, before it is too late. "Parker's Sarsaparilla," the "King of Blood Purifiers," makes the appetit keen and hearty-invigorares the liver-purifies the blood and fills it with the life-giving elements of the food. I is a wonderful blood maker and fleth builder. Sold by J. C.

Rumors of an American Victory.

(Copyright by Associated Press.) Cape Haygen, May 28.-A rumor has reached her, of an important suces; but no confirmation of the report can be obtained here. Since the rumored arrival of the

Spanish flee at Santiago de Cuba no news has reached here, though the priests and nuns at Manila have been removed from the latter place to Laguna.

All the coast towns are reported to be held by Spanish troops. The Americans are preparing to slip at Cavite.