

No News From Dewey Received in Washington.

No Fears are Entertained Concerning the Gallant Commodore.

THE DESTINATION OF SAMPSON'S FLEET.

Washington, May 5—Secretary Long said at the close of office hours today that up to that time he had received no word from Commodore Dewey. He added, however, that he felt no apprehension over this lack of news, because, in the first place, reports were not expected with the cable from Manila cut, and furthermore, no fears were entertained as to Commodore Dewey's ability to maintain his position. There was no doubt, the secretary said, that Commodore Dewey's fleet had annihilated the Spanish fleet, and with this much accomplished, Dewey was master of the situation at Manila.

The department is taking steps to render effective aid to the commodore in the matter of supplies, and Constructor Wm. L. Clapp, now at San Francisco, is to go out at once to repair the damages sustained in the battle of Manila. Preparations for a suitable convoy for the supply ships was also indicated by the choice of a commander and officers for the cruiser Charleston, now at Mare Island. It is recalled at the Navy Department, in this connection, that having received the surrender of Manila, the commodore would be able to secure any quantity of labor and of such material a marine city like Manila affords for the repair of his ships. He also would be able to place his wounded in some one of the Manila hospitals or other public buildings.

NO NEWS FROM SAMPSON.

No news could be learned at the navy department relative to the movements of Admiral Sampson's squadrons, but from the confident tone of the few officials who are acquainted with the policy of the department, they are expecting to hear very soon of news from his squadron at most as interesting and important as that received from the Philippines. A high officer of the administration almost demolished the theory that Admiral Sampson was going to succeed the Oregon, now on her way from Brazil to join the North Atlantic squadron. He declared that the navy department was under no apprehension about the Oregon, for the reason that it did not consider that the Spanish admiral of the Cape Verde squadron would be willing to risk a combat with the Oregon, even with the great odds in his favor, as even if overwhelmed in the end the Oregon certainly would destroy one of the Spanish ships, and perhaps two, and the Spanish government could not afford to exchange pawns at this stage of the war. That left open as possible points of operations for Sampson either Porto Rico or some port on the Cuban coast, but just which theory is to be accepted is not even hinted at by the departmental officials.

BRAZIL'S NEUTRALITY.

Notice came to the State Department from Brazil to day that that government had declared neutrality. There is now no cause to regret such action on the part of Brazil, for however beneficial the delay has been to the United States in getting its warships safely along the Brazilian coast, the issuing of the proclamation just now is likely to be still more beneficial in closing Brazilian ports to the Spanish flying squadron if it should be headed in that direction. It may be noted, however, that while the first reports were received with little credit, the advices coming to the Navy department to day, though not conclusive, inclined the officers to the belief that the Spanish flying squadron really has turned back from Cape Verde to consolidate with the home squadron at Cadix.

POWDER FOR DEWEY.

The Navy Department will ship 200,000 pounds of powder to Commodore Dewey, to add to the stock he now has left. This, with the large number of eight inch armor-piercing projectiles, shells and 6-inch and 5 inch rifle balls, will make the shipment of ammunition a very large one. The powder and shot together will give 500 rounds for the big guns and several thousand rounds for the rapid-fire rifles.

It Was Dewey's Victory.

It was Commodore Dewey's own victory and to him must go the glory of the triumph at the Philippine islands. It is safe to say that no board of strategy—certainly not the one that has directed the peaceful blockade of Havana—would have directed Commodore Dewey to sail his squadron under the guns of the enemy, past their land fortifications guarding Manila, straight into the harbor where he was literally surrounded by the fleet and fortifications of the Spaniards. The entrance to Manila harbor was guarded by submarine mines and coast defences, and the Spaniards looked upon it as impos-

ble for the American squadron to come up to Manila even if they should survive the engagement with the Spanish fleet at sea. It was reported that the Spanish fleet would meet the American squadron on the high seas, and in true Spanish boastfulness it was declared they would wipe the American pigs off the sea.

When Commodore Dewey reached the Philippines he did not wait for Washington to give him orders what to do. He was far enough from home to take the matter in his own hand and fight the battle in his own way. Nothing could have been more audacious than the entrance by Dewey's squadron within the harbor at Manila to engage the Spanish warships in their stronghold under protection of the big guns on the coast fortifications. When one considers all the circumstances the fight as made by Dewey's squadron was courageous to the point of recklessness. That it turned out as it did was due to superior seamanship and marksmanship rather than to superior equipment, for with the protecting guns on the land, added to the Spanish fleet it was equally well equipped.

Many thousands miles away from home, surrounded by the guns of the enemy, on sea and land, Commodore Dewey's sailors fought with the nerve of men who were fighting for life. Had they not carried the day they would never have gotten out of Manila bay alive. The Spaniards would have shown no quarter. Weyler's atrocities in Cuba would have been equalled or outdone, and it was probably the knowledge of their own intentions towards the American ships and men that led Spanish sailors to die with their ships rather than surrender. They had no knowledge of American civilization or magnanimity but expected brutal torture and ignominy at the hands of their captors and died rather than face it.

As no mention is made of any dealings with the Spanish navy after the battle, and as all of the terms of Commodore Dewey's demands were addressed to the land authorities of Manila, it is clear that Commodore Dewey knew he had nothing to fear from further interference by Spanish warships. Dewey is justly the hero of the hour. In his own way and through sensational daring he has demolished the Spanish fleet and made a glorious record for the American navy. The rank of admiral should repay his brilliant coup—Augusta Chronicle.

Naval Battle Expected.

New York, May 5—A Key West special to the Evening Post, dated today, says:

Four Spanish warships are reported to be off Barbadoes, prepared to intercept the battleship Oregon. A naval battle is expected.

The prize court to-day is sitting on the case of the Panama. Testimony has been concluded on the Buena Ventura and Catalina. District Attorney Stripling says that there is no doubt about the Catalina and Panama being condemned.

Senor DuBose's Estimate of American Senators.

Toronto, May 5—Senor DuBose, late first secretary of the Spanish legation at Washington, lectured to 2,000 people to-night on the causes of the present war. The lecture was in aid of the Red Cross Society work and was delivered in a private capacity. The Senor made a severe attack on the American people. He spoke of American Senators as "border ruffians, whose illiterate boorishness is only equalled by their venality and ludicrously pompous conceit." He urged that American audacity for conquest constituted a grave danger to Europe, Canada and Mexico, and concluded by contrasting the Queen Regent of Spain with "the bloated politicians, whose countenances depict the lust that is in their hearts."

DEWEY IN CHARGE.

Executing Duties of Governor General of the Philippines

Boston, May 5—The following telegram, received by F. T. Viles, of Boston, from a friend in Singapore, was read at the Electric Club to-night:

"Singapore, May 5, 1898—Reliable information received here corroborating news of Dewey's victory at Manila, and he is now executing the duties of governor general there."

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A Warning.

An Attempt to Dupe Farmers Exposed by Dr. Stokes.

A few days ago I got information of an effort in my district to collect membership fees in an alleged Farmer's Secret Organization company, with headquarters in Columbia, S. C. This company it is alleged was originated by the Cotton convention representing the entire cotton belt. In consideration of the fee and the promise on the part of the farmer to cut down his cotton acreage, the company guarantees 10 cents for cotton in 1899 and indemnity to the farmer. I have made an investigation and want to say to the farmers that no such organization has been authorized by any cotton growers convention. Any claim of that sort is an imposition upon the farmers to get their money without the possibility of benefit to the cotton grower. As the effort to victimize farmers may be going on in other districts and States, I deem it my duty to expose it through the public press. J. Wm. Stokes.

Washington, D. C., May 4, 1898.

The State Board.

What Was Done at Their Meeting Yesterday.

The state board of control transacted only routine business at their meeting this morning.

On motion of Mr. Williams the county boards were authorized to regulate the hours of closing and opening dispensaries, provided, of course, these hours come within the requirements of the law.

As to the Columbia and Newberry hotel privilege trouble, Mr. Williams was appointed to confer with Governor Eilerbe. To-morrow all sides will be given a hearing before the board.

The Windsor Hotel at Spartanburg was granted a hotel privilege.

C. L. Hightower was granted a permit to establish a distillery in Pickens county.

The distillery of H. E. Philips in Pickens county was ordered closed on account of its being too near a church.

The Beckam petition to start a distillery in Richland county was refused.

The board then, after electing county boards for Spartanburg, Greenville and Edgefield, adjourned until this afternoon.

Messrs Miles and Douthit were appointed to list liquors for the next purchases—Columbia Record, May 5.

To Protect the Shipyard.

Newport News, May 5.—The officials of the Newport News ship building and dry dock company were notified to-day by Brigadier General Frank, commander of Fortress Monroe, that two field batteries had been detached from the Pennsylvania National guard and ordered to Newport News to be stationed at the ship yard to guard the battleships Kearsage, Kentucky and Illinois, now building here.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and lungs are surely cured by it. Call on J. F. W. DeLorme, Druggist, and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50c and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

London, May 3.—According to a report published here to-day, the British ambassador at Washington, Sir Julian Pauncefote, is to be succeeded by Sir Thomas P. Sanderson. K. C. B. K. C. M. G., the permanent under secretary of State for foreign affairs, one of the most experienced diplomatic officers in the British service.

London, May 4.—The Brussels correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: "Don Carlos, the pretender, is much agitated by private telegrams he has received to-day from Madrid. A Spanish diplomatist of the highest position said to me to-day: 'They are practically in a state of revolution and it is the beginning of the end of the regency. The Queen Regent may make a final effort in favor of her son, but he will never come to the throne.'"

NO NEWS FROM MANILA.

Hong Kong, May 4.—Investigation develops the fact that no verification has been obtained of the reported arrival at Mirs Bay of the United States dispatch boat, Hugh McCulloch, which was attached to Commodore Dewey's squadron, and which was said to have left Manila before the battle of Sunday last.

Washington, May 6.—The American consul at Hong Kong has cabled that several of the wealthiest families of Manila have tendered allegiance to American. No other news has come from the Philippines, nor had Dewey's report been received at 2 o'clock.

Oh, My Heart!

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Recovery Would Seem Like a Miracle Yet Hood's Sarsaparilla Cured

"I had been in very poor health for several years, and two summers I was so weak I was obliged to lie in bed 3 months at a time. I was all run down, had

Unconscious Spells last for an hour at a time. The doctors thought the trouble came from my heart. I used to say that if I could only be up around, I should be so thankful, and that it would seem like a miracle if I should be well. The neighbors all know of the poor health I had been in, and how much better I am now. I had asthma for many years, and some nights

I could not sleep my breathing was attended with so much difficulty. Sometimes I would have to sit bolt upright in bed. As my general health grew poorer, my asthma grew worse. I had kidney and other troubles and seemed to be generally 'out of sorts.' I heard so much of Hood's Sarsaparilla that I decided to try it, and I experienced great benefit from it. I have recommended it to many people, and I cannot say too much in praise of Hood's Sarsaparilla. I have not been in bed for over a year on account of illness." Mrs. S. WATSON, 432 S. Columbia St., Warsaw, Ind.

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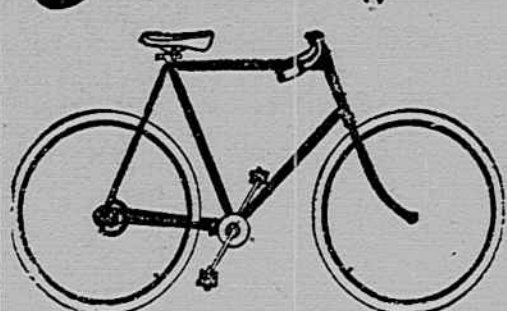
MANCHESTER AND AUGUSTA R. R. Condensed schedule—in effect Feb 20, 1898.

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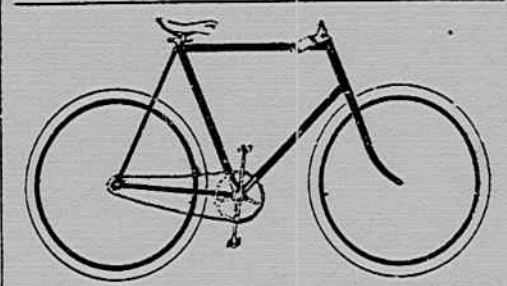
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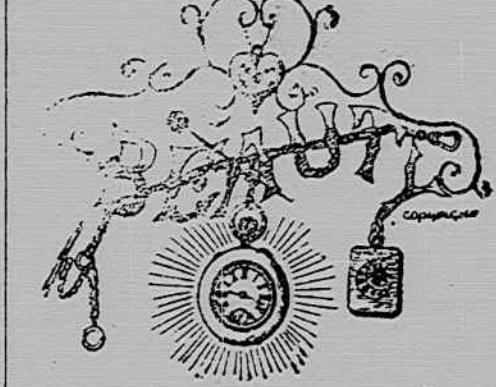
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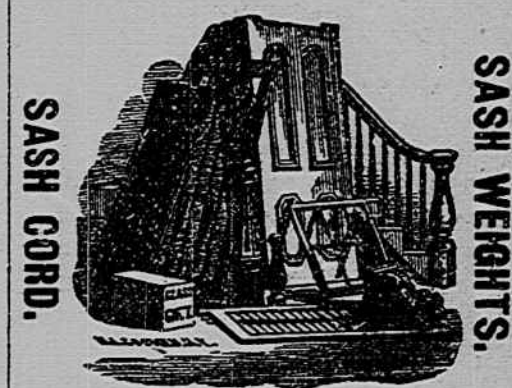
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