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Commodore Dewey Engages the Spanish Vessels and Destroys Almost the Entire Fleet.

Tne Asiatic squadron under comthe Spanish fleet in battle at Manila, jackets are happy in the consciousness in the Philippine islands, and almost of work well done. The Spanish fleet entirely destroyed the fleet of the under Admiral Montejo, or rather

treacherous country. have been received at the British Colo- ed in Manila harbor. No news has nial Office. They came in two cable come from the commodore direct, and messages, the substance of which has it is not deemed likely that he will be been furnished to the Associated Press heard from before Wednesday or

that the fleet entered Manila harbor at doubt the fact that he has administerdaybreak Sunday, stationing itself op- ed a crushing blow to the Spaniards. posite the city. A fort opened fire on the American ships, whereupon they shifted their position to one near Ca-

the Spanish fleet. The engagement lasted two hours, and resulted in the annihilation of the

Spanish fleet. The dispatch adds that the American ships withdrew to their magazine exact amount of loss Commodore Dewvessel in the centre of the roadstead for ey sustained in the battle, but from

the purpose of coaling. which is not mentioned, is said to have received is taken to mean that it was been disabled. Commodore Dewey re- insignificant. A dispatch to Le Temps Spanish Governor-General, demanding natives. This is believed to be the usthe surrender of all the torpedoes and ual Spanish underestimation of a deguns at Manila and the possession of feat and as such is significant. the cable offices, saying that unless these terms were complied with he

would proceed to bombard the city. A despatch to the Daily Mail receiv-

ed from Madrid this morning says:

tion yet. "General Augusti will probably def-

end the plaza of Manila. to spare any efforts in the defense of the the forts and the Spanish fleet.

Christina and Castilla have been total- Spanish fleet. This dispatch adds o'clock. ly burned. One vessel was purposely that the American ships withdrew to sunk and the rest were damaged.

The British governor of the Straits Settlements, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir C. ing. One American vessel whose B. H. Mitchell, has sent a cable dis- name is not mentioned is said to have resistance was impossible. patch to the Colonial Office here, say- been disabled. Commodore Dewey ing the United States fleet "annihilat- landed his wounded on shore. ed" the Spanish fleet in a two hours' engagement.

ey, made representations, in behalf of the cable offices, saying that unless bardment of Manila. bardment of the town.

and the majority perished. Two statement that the Spanish officials Spanish commanders were killed while were conferring with the British conresisting to the last moment.

many natives. "The American squadron attacked

age." Commenting editorially on the bat-

tle, the Temps says: "The United States put into the bal-

ance a too crushing superiority of re- dore Dewey. sources and forces to leave a doubt as to the result.

ceived the satisfaction it demands, will and more plainly shown. The Span- licly declare neutrality. It is not esnot the moment have come for Europe ish admiral was evidently completely sential that a nation should declare an nation that attempts to meddle to say its word, and take as a basis for surprised at the daring of the Ameri- its neutrality in order to be neutral. its mediatory action the wise advice of can commander. Commodore Dewey A man does not have to formally dethe Duke of Devonshire in his speech sent a part of his fleet right into the clare his honesty in order to be honest. of Saturday evening?"

A copyrighted cablegram from Singapore to the World says:

eral Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader of squadron engaged both the vessels and "If we have a sharp and decisive baithe Philippines, will probably be trans- forts of the enemy. The Spaniards the with Spain on the high seas and bers of the committee were not asked ferred on an American dispatch boat did not believe that Commodore Dew- cripple her fleet, this will hasten the to help prepare the bill, but an at-Aguinaldo's policy, after the Philip- pected an engagement in the open sea. navy to combat us Spain would be ut- throats after it was prepared, although pines have been captured, embraces Both fleets lined up for battle about terly powerless. She has some good it is undemocratic all the way through

campaign. the entire freedom of the press and other.

Aguinaldo could undertake the ish gunners less effective. maintenance of public order. Span-City was almost entirely destroyed.

HOW THE BATTLE WAS FOUGHT.

The Brave Dewey Smashes Everything Be

fore Him that was Spanish. The first decisive blow in the Spanish-American war has been struck mand of Commodore Dewey engaged and Commodore Dewey and his bluewhat remains of it, feels keenly the The details of the battle of Manila force of the blow which he administerby the officials of the Colonial Office. Thursday, but enough is known of the The first cable dispatch announces battle of Manila to place beyond a

One dispatch late Tuesday afternoon stated that it is believed that he is now bombarding Manila, the captain genvite in the Manila Bay, engaging in a eral having refused to surrender, but nite. It is known that cable communication with Manila is interrupted,

the cable or no is uncertain. 'Nothing is known as yet as to the the fact that no allusion is made to his One American vessel, the name of loss in such dispatches as have been

The first authentic details of the naval engagement came on Tuesday from the British colonial office in London. Two cable dispatch were received there from Manila and have been made pub "The Americans are now moving on lic. The first cable dispatch announc-Manila, but there has been no capitula- es that the United States fleet entered Manila harbor at daybreak Monday, stationing itself opposite the city. A fort opened fire on the American ships, "The Spanish Ministers admit that whereupon they shifted their position the battle ended in the utter rout of the to one near Cavite, in Manila bay, en-Spanish fleet, but they are resolved not gaging in a flerce fight against both

The engagement lasted two hours "The Spanish warships Reina Maria and resulted in the annihilation of the

Commodore Dewey requested the British consul, Mr. E. H. Rawson the Consular corps, against the bom- these terms were complied with he would proceed to bombard the city. "No Spanish warship surrendered The first cable message ends with the If We Win May Take the Philippines and to handle messages.

As details of the splendid victory is desirable. "Directly Castilian honor has re- dash of Commodore Dewey is more failure of Germany and Austria to pubness. The vessels slipped past the clare neutrality in the contest between method resorted to by Mr. Dingley Upon his arrival at Hong Kong Gen- without accident. The American neutrality laws with strict vigilance.

the independence of the islands, and daybreak. The guns of the American fighting ships but she cannot afford to because all the taxes it imposes will the internal affairs to be controlled un- warships began firing on the fortress lose any one of them. The same, howder European and American advisers. of Cavite and the arsenal of Manila. ever, might apply with equal force to people, and the richest and most fa-The insurgents desire American pro- Under the protection of the guns of the United States. A Bull Run will tection, temporarily at least, on the these fortifications the Spanish war- hasten a treaty of peace. same lines as proposed after the Cuban ships opened fire on the American The scheme includes free trade to the sounded with the roar of guns, the has just landed at Key West, and he 000,000 in bonds was unnecessary at world, safeguards enacted against an crashing of steel and timbers, the gives some glimpses into conditions this early stage of the war, and that all influx of Chinese aliens, a complete shrieks and groans of the wounded. obtaining at Havana. reformation in the corrupt judicature, Thick clouds of smoke at times almost

toleration, the abolition and expulsion | cruiser Don Juan de Austria, a vessel | play. of religious fraternities, the church be of 1,100 tons. A terrific explosion fol- A famine at Havana he believes to ed their intention to take the same market. The factory in Centre Hall is ing represented by secular priesthood; lowed, and the ship was blown up. All be imminent, as there is no means of stand the Democrats did against the the only one in Central Pennsylvania provision for facilities to exploit re- the time during the first engagement getting supplies through the blockade, bill, but in defference to those who outside of Williamsport where wheels sources, the building of railways, the the American ships were under way, and the condition of the reconcentra- said they intended to vote for the bill are built. The bicycles give satisfacremoval of the restrictions on enter- their maneuvering being intended to dos, he says, is something awful to be- as a war measure no caucus action was tion and are spoken highly of by those prise and the investment of capital. render the marksmanship of the Span- hold.

The American squadron about nine iards have committed horrible massa- o'clock drew off to the west side of the cre of defenseless population. Cebua bay, behind some foreign shipping. The ships had evidently suffered damage. After some hasty repairs they returned to the conflict. During the engagement the guns of Cavite maintained a steadier and stronger fire upon Commodore Dewey's ships than in the first encounter, but the American guns were being used with telling effect. The cruiser Castilla, next to the flagship the largest and most powerful of the Spanish squadron, was burned. The cruiser Don Antonio de Ulloa and the Mindanoa were also badly damaged in this encounter.

The Spaniards sank many of their own fighting ships in order to prevent them falling into Dewey's hands. The burning of the flagship Reina Maria Cristina which occurred early in the engagement, was a thrilling spectacle. ship and made the Isla de Cuba his temporary flagship. As he was leaving the doomed vessel Captain Cadarse, who cammanded the Reina Cristina. fierce fight against both the forts and this statement cannot be taken as defiish loss was enormous. A Londen report places the number of our injured but whether the Spaniards have cut at 500. None of Montejo's ships it is believed, is fit for further service, while it is thought all of Commodore Dew-

ey's vessels are still in fighting trim. The American fleet entered Manila Bay on Sunday at 5 o'clock in the morning. On arriving at their anchorage the Cavite fort opened fire at long range. The Spanish fleet anchorquested the British Consul, E. H. Raw- of Paris from Madrid places the Span- ed off Cavite followed. The Amerison-Walker, to convey a message to the ish loss at 400 killed, including many can ships then drew close in and opened a terrible cannonade. After half an hour the Americans moved out of range of the lighter Spanish guns and continued the cannonade with big guns with terrible effect. At the end of again drew into close quarters, the can-

nonade being rapid and incessant. The Spanish fleet was destroyed, three vessels burning, one suak and the others silenced. The land forts were also silenced. The fight lasted an hour and a half. The Spaniards fought bravely against a superior force. Their loss was probably great.

The Americans were apparently uninjured. The Spaniards will not give in, and the Americans expect to bombard Manila tomorrow at half-past 11

The Americans returned to Cavite. their magazine vessel in the center of Some shots were still fired from the the roadstead for the purpose of coalsuch a terrible cannonade that forther

The spectacle was great, but terrible. The American attack was well carried out, their maneuvers beautiful and A dispatch from Madrid to the Walker, to convey a message to the avoiding the numerous shallows all Temps says that according to the lat- Spanish governor general demanding over the channel at Cavite. They est dispatches the British Consul at the surrender of all the torpedoes and await the decision of the governor-Mnila, in his visit to Commodore Dew- guns at Manila and the possession of general before commencing the bom-

SPAIN MUST PAY INDEMNITY.

Porto Eico A member of McKinley's cabinet sul and the telegraph company's agent said: The question of indemnity will "The Spanish losses are estimated at and that, pending a decision being ar- come up as soon as the United States four hundred men killed, including rived at, the cables were not permitted and Spain cease hostilities and a treaty The second cable dispatch received ernment will ask by way of indemnia single one of these appointments, furiously both the Spanish squadron by the colonial office announced that ty is not ascertainable as yet. The but it is greatly feared that he will not aud Cavite, where it caused great dam- the Spanish governor general had re- Philippines are a very valuable possesfused to surrender the torpedoes, guns sion, but I can see no reason why we and cable offices and that he had pre- should hold them except for marketavented the agent of the telegraph com- ble purposes. Being contiguous to Ja- the Republican war revenue bill, which pany from conferring with Commo- pan, I believe that nation would pay a big price for them. Porto Rico, too.

keep coming in the enterprise and "I can see no significance in the harbor of Manila under cover of dark- This Government did not formally demines at the entrance to the harbor Spain and Cuba, yet we enforced the and his Republican associates of the

fleet. For several hours the harbor re- A deserter from the Spanish army

WASHINGTON LETTER.

ALL INTEREST CENTERS IN THE WAR WITH SPAIN.

No Information Will be Given in Advance of Movements .- The Revenue Bill Approved by the Democrats.

tion of the plans to invade Cuba this years, for personal reasons and because week to the extent of capturing a port his term will expire next March, and and landing six thousand men from he certainly ought to know better than the regular army, to make a junction those who are giving other reasons for Cheers of victory on dying lips. with the Cuban army and operate the change. Senator Turple, of Ind., against the Spaniards, a few hours aft- succeeded Mr. Gorman as chairman of er it had been determined upon by the the Democratic caucus. authorities, aroused the administration to the necessity of taking some steps to prevent the publication of intended war movements in advance of the movements themselves, as there The Spanish admiral hastily le't the isn't the slightest doubt that such publications are cabled to Spain as soon as they appear. The result is an order that no military information shall be given out by subordinates of the department, and lest the argus-eyed newspaper men might see some scrap of writing that would give them a clew to intended movements they are to be barred out of all the offices in the war and navy departments.

Every scrap of news from our warships, whether relating to the capture of Spanish prizes, the silencing of Spanish forts or the gallant action of oppose the Spanish fleet from St. Vinour Asiatic squadron, increases public confidence in the fighting qualities of ing Cuba. our navy, and the hope that the order will soon be issued to give Sampson a chance to batter down the fortifications at Havana.

Uncle Srm has too many recources to allow the activity in the fighting branches of his establishment to intertwenty minutes the American fleet fere with the orderly conduct of business in the far more important peaceful branches. The war will not be felt to any marked extent in the industrial and commercial progress of the country, and Uncle Sam will continue to do his part by looking after our postal system, public lands, granting patents to inventors, etc., without neglecting the war.

It is not creditable, but it is never-

theless true that many politicians of his party are showing much more anxiety to succeed in their efforts to get Mr. McKinley to appoint their favorites officers in the volunteer army than they are in making efforts to help dition to a number of appointments that will be made at his disposal under the law reorganizing the regular army, there are 384 officers be appointed by him in the volunteer armytheir navigation of the bay surprising, twelve major generals, 34 brigadier generals and the following staff officers: 21 lieutenant colonels, 100 majors, 147 captains, and 68 first lieutenants. The scramble for the staff positions especially is being partleipated in by men who make no pretence of having any other claim or ability to fill the places than their political pull. In the appointments so far announced Mr. McKinley has not yielded much to political influence, and he has told a number of Democratic Senators and Representatives that he did not of peace is signed. Just what this gov- intend that politics should determine be able to stand the pressure when it comes to the staff appointments.

> The Democrats who voted against passed the House by a vote of 181 to 131-only six Democrats voted for the bill-did not do so because they did not believe in providing the government with all the money that it will need to lick Spain, and any other Europewith the thrashing process, but to show their disapproval, not only of the method by which this bill provides for a raising money but of the Ways and Means committee in prevored classes and corporations will not be made to bear their share of the burden. The Democrats also believe that the authorization of the issue of \$600,of the money needed could be other-

Vest, who said he would vote to strike out the bond clause of the bill, but would afterwards vote for the bill whether the bond clause was struck out or not. The Populists and silver Along the street there comes Republican Senators will to a man A blare of bugles, ruffle of drums, vote against the bonds, but it is expected that the whole bill, bonds and

heparter,

all, will pass. Senator Gorman said he retired from the chairmanship of the Democratic WASHINGTON, May 2.—The publica- caucus, which he held for so many

Notes of the War.

Gen. Blanco reported to Madrid that our warships blockading Clenfuegos the go now. captured the Spanish steamer Argonauta and made eleven Spanish mili- ed a pension, \$12. tary officers prisoners. Americans 'pillaging' the steamers were alleged to have been driven off by three gunboats.

Great Britain's Commercial Attache at Madrid reports Spain's commerce and industries to be prostrate.

Spain's gunboat Temerario, which was to have "destroyed" the Oregon, is laid up for repairs on the River Plata and will not sail for a week.

The prospect that the blockading previous. squadron map be called from Cuba to cent may change the plans for invad-

Our battle-ship Oregon, dynamite cruiser Nichtheroy and gunboat Marietta are said to be coming north from Rio de Janeiro together.

The schooner Mascoite was towed into Key West a prize of the torpedo boat Foote.

The Navy Department has decided to make two divisions of the North Atlantic Squadron, to be commanded respecificely by Commodores Watson and Ramey, Admiral Sampson to rctain superior command of the whole.

N. F., forbidding the sale of coal to an illness of but five days. warships to enable them to attack an enemy.

Rome reports that Spain may yield to Italy's request and exclude sulphur from the list of contraband articles. Comptroller of the Currency Dawes lars. says the national banks will subscribe largely to the proposed war loan.

A relief ship will surely be sent to Cuba this week.

Powder works a vicinity of St. Louis and Carpenter's year. At Montandon, George Fisher, Steel Works at Reading, Pa., have in his 50 year. been put under guard against Spanish

the Muenchener Allgemeine Zeitung left hand was caught between the quotes a high Russian official as say- feed rollers of a planing machine and ing that Russia won't look with favor the hand and arm were mashed to the on intervention.

M. Le Myer de Vilers, a French diplomatist, says he does not think that

Spanish sympathizers at Montevideo have threatened United States Minister W. R. Finch and the legation has been guarded.

It is reported in Madrid that the British channel squadron is going to the Canary Islands.

The American steamer Cherokee, of the Clyde line, leaving Macoris for San Domingo was chased last Tuesday night by a Spanish ship.

REVOLUTION IN SPAIN.

ported the queen regent and her son, the boy king, have fled.

The pretext for the revolution is the disaster at Manila, which at first was pisrepresented as a Spanish victory.

Commodore Deway has been heard to join Commodore Dewey at Manila. ey would enter the harbor. They ex- hoisting of the white flag. Without a tempt was made to cram it down their from. His dispatch boat got to Hong when in the evening of life they talk Kong last night, and shows he has over the long but seemingly brief past got possession of Manila.

> bad state of affairs in Spain. A battle between Sampson's ficet and fore he was here. the Spanish may be looked for any

Latest intelligence says there is

Turning Out Wheels.

Boob's shops are the busiest places in town the last couple weeks. He has He says that the Spaniards are work- wise provided for anyway. A caucus orders ahead for weeks yet to run on, under experienced European officials; obscured the opposing fleets from each ing like beasts forming new intrench- of Democratic Senators was held to and the men will put in full time. In ments, and that the storming of the discuss the bill, now in the Senate his bicycle department he is rushing public utterance, a general religious A well directed s not reached the iron works about the city will be no child's committee on finance. More than things and has four or five new wheels three-fourths of those present indicat- almost completed and ready for the taken. One of the latter was Senator who have ridden them.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Cullings of More than Ordinary Interest from Everywhere.

A flash of color beneath the sky; Hats off!

The flag is passing by! Blue and crimson and white it shines, Over the steel-tipped ordered lines,

Hats off ! The colors before us fly; But more than the flag is passing by. Sea and land fights, grim and great, Fought to make and save the state : Weary marches and sinking ships;

H. H. Beunett, Y. Comp.

May-day, Sunday, was lovely. Sociable in the Lutheran church, this evening.

Potato planting and gardening, all

Erastus Robb, Bellefonte, was grant-

The minors of Edward Swab, Belle-

fonte, were granted a pension, \$10. Mr. Hemphill is giving his pretty

home home a fresh coat of paint. The hotel Shekillemy, opposite Sunbury, was burned on Wednesday.

Read the Reporter's supplement for live ad's and other interesting matter. Last Saturday was the first bright and lovely day had in over two weeks

On Thursday forenoon, last week, we had quite a snowsquall, reminding one of winter.

Rev. Rearick's appointments for Sunday, May 8: At Centre Hall, 7 p. m.; at St. Johns, at 2 p. m.; at Georges valley, communion, at 10 a. m.

For the complete court proceedings printed in last week's and this week's Reporter, we are indebted to the kindness of W. H. Walker, esq., one of Bellefonte's rising young attorneys, of the firm of Fortney & Walker.

Honora J. Pation, widow of the late Hon. John Patton, of Curwensville, died Saturday evening, April 23, at Proclamation was made at St. John's Lakewood, N. J., of pneumonia, after

A son of Mr. Dellett, of this place, who has been in the regular army several years, is in camp at Key West, and may shortly be ordered across to invade Cuba with the rest of the regu-

Recent Union county deaths: At Mifflinburg, the wife of Martin Rudy, aged 82 years. Near Black run school house, Wm. Beck, aged 52 years. In Buffalo twp., John Walter, in his 82

John, a 15 year old son of A. L. Bartges, was working at Schwenk's The St. Petersburg correspondent of saw mill in Sugar valley, where his

elbow. In a recent trip through some of the country districts we were struck with the American victory in the Philip- the beauties of nature: The grain pines will involve the European pow- fields, never more promising, and gay ers, but he does believe that the su- in light green; the acres of grass, premacy of American arms will lead mantled in dark green, promising to the establishment and maintenance | abundance ; the fruit trees in blossom, of a formidable standing army in dot the landscape with additional love-"Why, ah why my heart this sad-

> Why, mid scenes like these decline; Where all, tho' strange, is joy and gladness, Say, what wish can yet be thine?

Oh say, what wish can yet be thine ?"

F.ity Years Since They Met.

George Reiber and James Runkle, wo of Potter township, Centre county's oldest and most popular gentlemen, says the Clearfield Spirit, came over last week to spend a couple of days with Ex-Commissioner James Spain is in an uproar with riots in Savage, father of the editor of the Spirthe capital and other large cities. Mar- it, at his home on Pine street. More tial law has been declared. There is than fifty years ago these three now an uprising, headed by Weyler, to put very old citizens were companions and Don Carlos on the throne. It is re- close friends and during all this half century they had not seen each other. The visitors came unexpectedly to Mr. Savage but were most welcome and their coming in this way only proves how the friendship formed in youth clings to the memory and with unyielding force impels men together together with what it holds worth remembering. Mr. Savage urged them to remain over to see Mr. Bryan, but business called them home the day be-

The Difference of Time,

Many inquiries have been made as to the difference of time between this nation and the countries involved in the present war, we herewith publish the facts: Havana's time, is thirty minutes earlier than our; Madrid, is four hours and forty-two minutes earlier; the Canaries, are about four hours earlier, the Philippines, are eleven hours and fifty-one minutes earlier.

Children like it, it saves their lives We mean One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, grippe, and all throat and lung troubles; for sale by Smith & Crawford.