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A CONTRACT OF

SCRANTON, PA., WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 18, 1898.

CITY OF MANILA It Is Announced That Thrail and MAY SURRENDER

It Is Expected That Owing to the Blockade and Resulting Famine, the City Will Soon Capitulate-The Insugents' Plans of Attack-Efforts to Keep Natives Loyal.

London, May 18 -- The Hong Kong cor- | conviction was made on the forty-sixth | OFFICERS MEET respondent of the Standard says: "It is expected, owing to the strict

blockade and the famine resulting from it, that the city of Manila will soon be compelled to capitulate to the American blockading squadron under Admiral Dewey."

London, May 18 .- The Hong Kong correspondent of the Times, telegraphing Tuesday, says:

"Aguinaldo and the principal leaders in the recent rising left today in the United States dispatch boat McCulloch for Cavite. They will attempt to persuade the natives to attack Manila in a few days. They have promised Admiral Dewey to regulate their conduct in accordance with the principles of humanity.

"The Americans are evidently anxious to complete their conquest before the arrival of the troops from San Francisco, British residents now take a more hopeful view, and a famine is no longer feared."

KEEPING NATIVES LOYAL, London, May 18.—A dispatch to the Times from Manila, dated May 13, total of \$58,922.68. The number of says:

"As a means of keeping the natives loyal and inducing them to refrain from assisting the Americans, Governor General Augusti has instituted a consulting assembly, composed of fifmembers of mixed and native blood. Its president is Senor Paterno, cent demonstration. Seven thousand ho achieved the late peace and ac-

munt of the indictments in which Cooper was charged with drawing \$2. 000 from the First National bank when he had no deposit there. Teller Boggs cashed the check. The jury took seventy-one ballots and the verdict was a compromise. Six previously holding for conviction and six for acquittal.

Thomas S. Clark will be tried on Tuesday next on the charge of conspiring with Boggs to misapply \$3,000 of the funds of the bank.

ODD FELLOWS MEET

Second Day of the Convention of the Graud Lodge of Pennsylvania Held at Wilkes-Barre.

Wilkes-Barre, May 17 .- This was the second day of the convention of the grand lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Pennsylvania, Grand Master Thomas, of Philadelphia, de-livered a lengthy address in the course of which he cnumerated the many virtues of Odd Fellowship. The next report submitted was that of the grand secretary, James B. Nicholson. It showed the assets of the Re-bekah lodges to be \$26,397.40. The financial statement of the grand secretary showed the total receipts of the grand lodge for the year to be \$32,160.43, which, brothers relieved was 14,752 and wid-

owed families 496. The total amount paid out in relief was \$593,391.52. The report of the grand treasurer, Mr. Richards Muckle, of Philadelphia, showed a balance of \$8,737.11 in the treasury. It also showed the assets of the orphans' home to be \$12,000 in bonds.

This afternoon the annual parade of the order was held. It was a magnifimen were in line. The following officers were installed for the ensuing companies under them. Ex-members

TO FORM A GUARD

Important Conference at Harrisburg Last Night.

TROOPS TO TAKE THE PLACE OF ENLISTED VOLUNTEERS-THE OR-GANIZATION WILL CONSIST OF NINE REGIMENTS OF INFANTRY AND THREE TROOPS OF CAVALRY

TILLERY,

Harrisburg, May 17 .- A conference of | Meritt: the general officers of the Pennsylvania National Guard was held at the executive mansion tonight at which arrangements were completed for the formation of a provisional guard to take the place of the various com-mands from this state mustered into the United States service. The new organization will consist of nine regiments of infantry, three troops of cavalry and three batteries of artilliery to be divided equalty among three brigades. The strength of the various commands will be in accordance with

AND THREE BATTERIES OF AR-

to each infantry regiment, although only 2 battalions will be recruited and regular United States army instead of organized for the present. Colonel Edward Morrell, of Philadel-

phia, has been tendered by Governor Hastings the appointment of commander of the First brigade. He has ac

cepted and will have headquarters in the city, hall, Philadelphia, General John A. Wiley will command the Sec-

given

ond brigade with headquarters in Franklin, and General J. P. S. Gobin will lead the Third brigade. His headquarters will be at Lebanon. Major General Snowden will command the division. The brigadier commanders will recruit and organize the ceveral

of the National Guard will be

the preference in enlistment. All com-

panies and regiments will be organized

with a view to utilize and care for the

listed men of the new organization will

serve as the Pennsylvania National

Guard and will be given preference for

service in the volunteer army. They

may be disbanded at the close of the

war. The enlisted men will be sub-

jected to a physical examination and

officers and men now in the National

Guard and not disqualified for active service may be transferred to the new

organization. General orders giving

Valuable Property Destroyed in the

Burning of Freight Sheds.

Baltimore, May 17,-A flerce fire

resent armories. The officers and en-

hie right side, in deep sleep, as if tions. dead. Each in turn touched his hand and left the room tarfully.

London, May 18 .- According to a spe cial dispatch from Hawarden received this morning, Mr. Gladstone is sinking rapidly. The correspondent says: "He lies on a small iron bed, peacefally sleeping away. The family and others are all sitting around him, or moving noiselessly in and out. It is a pathetic scene that is being enacted this gloomy night.

GEN. MERRITT'S DENIAL.

Claims the Alleged Interview Was Faise.

Washington, May 17 .- Secretary Alger this afternoon received the following telegram from General Wesley

Governors Island. New York, May Ti-Hon, Russell A, Alger, Secretary of War, Washington: I desire you to know that the interviews published in the New York papers this morning are in every way in-correct and unauthorized. I had intended to take no notice of them, but I undertand the articles are taken seriously in Washington (Signed) Wealey Merrill,

Note-The alleged interview referred to quoted General Merritt as saying that he would refuse to go to Manila to take command of the United States military regulations. There will be troops which will be sent there from three battalions of four companies San Francisco unless 4,000 of 15,000 soldiers to go should be taken from the is contemplated.

REEDER THE WINNER.

Has Control of the Northampton County Delegates.

Easton, Pa., May 17.-The Republican primaries to elect delegates to the county convention which elects state delegates were held in the various districts of the county tonight. The results obtainable show Reeder the winner by a large majority. The fight was Republican ranks in Northampton county. The Wanamaker people, led by the Hav-Magce faction, worked hard for the success of their ticket, but there will be a large majority against them when the county convention meets at Bangor next Saturday. In Easton, the home of Reeder. Hay and Magee, the fight waged the hottest. Reeder hostilities ashore. carried five of the eight wards while two wards are said to be for Wanamaker and one ward is divided. Sev-Cincinnati, May 17 .- The Amalgamated enteen of the eighteen delegates from Association of Iron and Steel Workers South Easton are Reeder men. In the egan their twenty-third annual convenon here today, over two hundred dele-ates being present, and President Shatslate district, stumped on Saturday by Wanamaker, the anti-Reeder delegates r presiding. Contrary to expectations, seems probable, since the delegates were elected. Three or f ar wards of Bangor, East Bangor, Pen Argyl and Nazareth elected Wanamaker men. The bange in the present scale. The by-aws provide for readjustment every ountry districts heard from late tonight give Reeder a sure majority in exty days and this matter will not likely the convention. The county is entitled considered till after the expiration of to five state delegates. the present scale on June 300

HELD AS SPIES.

Jones, the Newspapermen Captured, Cannot Be Exchanged.

Madrid, May 17 .- It is announced re in a dispatch from Havana that after the arrival of the Uncas off that port the two captured American newspaper men were examined and it is added that the inquiry revealed the fact that they could not be considered as prisoners of war, but must be locked up as spies, one being, it is claimed, a Cuban employed in Havana. It is fur-ther alleged that upon the prisoners were found revolvers, cartridges, interesting documents and a camera. Advices received here confirm the report that Mr. Freeman Haistead, the American newspaper correspondent ar-rested at San Juan de Porto Rico, was taken into custody while in the act of taking photographs of the fortifica-

A report is current here that "the Spanish flotilla at Hayana is about to make another sortie."

CAPE VERDE FLEET.

Purchased Ammunition and Coal ta Dutch West Indies.

Copyright, 1898, by the Associated Press. Curacoa, Dutch West Indies, May 17. -The Spanish fleet is now supposed to be off the coast of Venezuela, or off the coast of Colombia. Only a portion of the fleet was allowed to enter this harbor to obtain provisions, cattle and coal, which were purchased here. Confirmation was obtained of the report that the Spaniards left one of their torpedo gunboats at Fort de France, Island of Martinique.

MANILA REFUGEES.

They State That Rebels Are of No Use to Admiral Dewey as Allies. Copyright, 1898, by the Associated Press.) Hong Kong, May 17 .- The steamer Esmeralda, which has just arrived from Manila with four hundred refugees, chiefly Chinese, reports that the United States cruisers Concord and Boston are going to ficilo, where they expet prompt capitulation and to recapture the American ship Saranac, with a cargo of coal. The blockade of Manila is extremely rigid and several foreign ships have been refused admittance. The rebels are uscless as allies of Admiral Dewey. They are utterly disunited, quite half of them being in favor of Spain. The Cavite arsenal was found empty. Colonel Miquel, of the artillery, committed suicide because he discovered that the amunition

was non-existent. Captain General Augusti is trying to conciliate the rebels and has authorized the establishment of native councils. The archbishop of Manila, in a pastoral issued on the eighth in-

Iron Workers Conventiou.

Wauamaker Has York.

Chattanooga, Tenn., May 17 .-- The Third

NO FORMAL ALLIANCE. Free Nations, Says Mr. Courtney, Cannot So Bind Themselves.

Tribune.

London, May 17 .- Mr. Leonard Courtney, Liberal Unionist, formerly Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons and now member of Parliament for the Eodmin Division of Cornwall, has a long letter in the Daily Chronicle this morning on various aspects of the Hispana-American war, favoring the views recently expressed by Mr. Phelps, former United States minister to Great Britain, and by Professor Charles Ellot

Norton, of Harvard university, and intimating a fear that "now that the United States has tasted blood it will become a military power, disturbing to the world's peace. In conclusion, Mr. Courtney disapproves the suggestion of an Anglo-American alliance as a "mirage that may lure us into desert places." He says that an Anglo-Saxon alliance against the world is inconceivable, "as free nations cannot bind themselves like absolute monarchs."

The Daily Chronicle thinks Mr.Courtney's attitude "in the main that of the small but cultivated Mugwump element represented by the New York Nation.

CONDITION OF PORTO RICO.

Spanish Claim Cheir Guns were Not Mounted.

Havana, May 17 .- The captain genral of Porto Rico has cabled to Cap tain General Blanco saying that, although the bombardment of San Juan de Porto Rici took place at rifle shot distance, not a gun of the forts was losses were only eighteen men wounded, among the troops composing the garrison, and a few persons wounded place.

ANGLO-FRENCH RELATIONS.

They Have Improved -- Prospects o Enrly Settlement.

London, May 18 .- The Standard this norning says: more hopeful than they have been for some time. It is rumored that the foreign office has agreed to concespossibly in connection with the developments of English trade in China."

PROWLING AT NIGHT.

'wo Spanish Cruisers Soon Hetween Hayti and Cuba.

Cape Haytien, Hayti, May 17 .- Two Spanish cruisers, or gunboats, are Sampson and Schley in combination making their base of operations at will encircle the island of Cuba, main-Badiquiri, or Guantanamo Bay. They are known to be moving every night n the waters between Hayti and Cuba. across the Florida straits if neces-

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DEPARTMENT **IS SENSITIVE**

War Officials Arc Not Pleased With the criticism Advanced.

HAVE DONE THEIR DUTY

The Policy Which Will Control the Future.

NO PARTICULAR EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO PURSUE THE SPANISH FLEET SO LONG AS IT KEEPS WITHIN THE CONFINES OF THE GULF OF MEXICO-DEPARTMENT FEELS NO APPREHENSION FOR THE SAFETY OF DEWEY,

Washington, May 17 .- The official bulletin boards today failed to yield silenced and, he adds, the Spanish any news of the movements of either of the three fleets, Sampson's Schley's and the Spanish flying squadron and there is reason to believe that the deamong the civil population of the partment has received no information on that point.

The department officials are beginning to show a little sensitiveness to criticism in the matter of delay in bringing the Spanish fleet into action, conscious as they are that they have made all despatch compatible with due re-"There is reason to believe that gard for the safety of our own ports Anglo-French relations have improved; as well as of the lives of the crews of and the prospects of a settlement are our warships. Every day there is talk of a change in the naval plans brought about by some movement of the Spansions in West Africa in return for ish squadron, but what the latest phase French concessions elsewhere, not imof the campaign is nobody outside of the members of the war boards is competent to say. The general impression today is that no particular effort is to be made just now to pursue the Spaniards so long as they keep within the confines of the guif of Mexico and the Carribbean sea, but that tain the blockade and convey troops

companied the rebels to Hong Kong in December.

Preparations are being made to send food supplies to outlying districts in case of a bombardment. The archbishop of Manila appoints June 17 as a day of rejolcing at the renewed consecration of the Philippine islands to the sacred heart of Jesus."

HOLDING SPANISH CABLES.

British Barbadoes Reverses a Martinique Example.

New York, May 17 .- The United States consul on the island of St. Helena, J. E. Coffin, was a passenger on the British steamer Ernwood, which left Barbadoes on May 6, and arrived here today. Mr. Coffin stated that on May 4 they were in the Barbadoes. when the Spanish transport, Alfonso XIII, with 600 troops on board, came into port, seeking coal and supplies. while other Spanish vessels were said to be waiting outside.

While the Spanish officers were nahore they were booted and jeered and subsequently Governor Hays or- station this afternoon to greet his old dered several arrests made.

Orders were issued that all dispatches filed by the officers of the Span- Chickamauga. The governor was colish vessels to be held twenty-four onel of this regiment when he was ap hours. No coal was furnished the yessel, but she was supplied with a small ernor Beaver and he is proud of the amount of provisions.

The Alfonso XIII was ordered to leave within 24 hours by the port offi- with the officers and men. Hot coffee ers, and she left at 4 o'clock of the day of her arrival.

WAR REVENUE MEASURE.

Considerable Progress Made on the Bill in the Senate.

Washington, May 17 .- Considerable progress was made by the senate today in considering the war revenue measure. Mr. Jones (Ark.) presented a general statement the views of the Democratic members of the finance committee. He maintained that the taxes imposed by the pending bill ought to be levied upon property and not upon consumption; that the policy of the Republican party always had been to impose taxes upon consump tion, while that of the Democratic party was to impose it upon property.

He believed that taxation that would raise \$150,000,000 would be amply sufficient to be carried by this bill and that if the exigencies of the war should demonstrate that more money was needed, congress could provide it later He opposed the proposition to issue nds and certificates of indebtedness far in excess of requirements of the war and held that the expenses should paid by the government as the war progressed.

COOPER CONVICTED.

The Jury Was Out Seventy-four Hours.

Wilmington, Dol., May IT .-- After being out seventy-four hours the jury in the United States court this evening returned a verdict finding Colonel Ezekiel T. Cooper guilty of conspiring with defaulting Teller William M. Boggs to sapply \$3,000 of funds of the First National bank of Dover.

Cooper was originally charged with conspiring to misapply \$23,000. The die.

year: Grand patriarch, Joseph H. Mackey; grand high priest, H. H. Hughes, grand senior warden, John A. Fleming; grand scribe, James B. Nich olson; grand treasurer, J. Henry Beitel; grand junior warden, Thomas F. Gross Edward C. Deans, re-elected to sovreign grand lodge for two years.

The Daughter of Rebekah, the sister order of Odd Fellows, met in annual assembly in Memorial hall. Mrs. Rose Fevan, of Mount Carmel, called the meeting to order. Mrs. H. L. Lendaching, of this city, delivered the address of welcome. The secretary, Mrs. Mary M. Joslin, of Philadelphia, made the re-

the details for the organization of the The assembly degree was conferred provisional guard will be issued ton 176 past noble grands by Mrs. Rose norrow from the National Guard head-Beyan, of Mount Carmel, the president. quarters. Various committees reported and be ore adjournment the past grand mas FIRE AT BALTIMORE. ter of the grand lodge, Edward March of Corry, Pa., addressed the assembly.

GOVERNOR GREETS THE FIFTH.

tarted this afternoon among a lot of Receives His Old Command on Their otton, turpentine and other highly in-Way to Chickamauga. flammable material stored for ship-

ient in the piers of the "Old Bay Harrisburg, May 17.-Governor Hast-Line" Steamship company. ings was at the Pennsylvania railroad The freight sheds were destroyed, together with their contents and several command, the Fifth regiment, Pennsyladjacent buildings were damaged, invania volunteers, on their way to volving a loss estimated at from \$50,000 to \$75,000. pointed adjutant general under Gov-

FOUR MEN KILLED. troops. He passed through the entire Fatal Results of the Failing of an length of the trains shaking hands Elevator at Roston.

Boston, May 17-By the falling of an and sandwiches were furnished the levator used for holsting building matroops by waiters from the railroad erial at the uncompleted warehouse of restaurant at the governor's expense the Boston Wharf company today, four Mrs. Hastings, Miss Hastings and men were killed and four were injured. aher ladies and Secretary of the Com-The dead are: monwealth Martin were also at the

O. S. Henry, foreman. Daniel Doyle. Leo Cardamen.

Henry Horvey. Twenty-seven Vessels Steam in a GLADSTONE SINKING.

The Household Servants Call to Say (Copyright, 1898, by the Associated Press.)

Farowell. Hawarden, May 17 .-- Mr. Gladstone rallied a little this evening and is now sleeping calmity Late this evening the servants of the household were admitted to the

sick room for a final farewell. They found Mr. Gladstone lying on

One steamer, which approached the land, showed the Spanish flag.

station to greet the soldier boys.

FLEET AT ST. THOMAS.

Westerly Direction.

St. Thomas, Danish West Indies

May 17.-It was reported here this

morning that on Sunday last from noon

until 6 p. m. twenty-seven vessels

slowly steamed westerly, North of To-

tola islands, forty miles east of St.

Thomas.

BOASTER KILLS THREE MEN.

Proves His Prowess With the Aid of a Revolver.

Pirmingham, Ala., May 17 .- During a liscussion over the war at John Lee's store on Saturday last, James Mitchell made a boast that he could whip a dozen Spaniards. His companions ridi culed the idea, and recalled the fact that on one occasion a small-sized policeman had put Mitchell to flight. Mitchell became infuriated at the reminder, and, drawing a six-shooter, emptied it into the crowd. As a result, three men were killed and a fourth was wounded. The dead were Samuel Johnson, Thomas Abernethy and Thomas Warren. Thomas Shadden was shot in the neck, and may

Harrisburg Convention.

Slope No. 1 of the Susquehanna Cont Company Burned.

BIG FIRE AT NANTICOKE.

publican convention was held this, morning at the court house to elet delegates Nanticoke, Pa., May 17 .-- Late this to the state convention from the Second egislative district, which embraces the county outside the city B. F. Lebo, of afternoon a dense cloud of smoke was seen issuing from slope No. 1, a large Williamstown; George W. Enney, Steelanthracite mine located in the heart of ton; Edward O. Henderson, Middletown, the city, belonging to the Susquehanna and H. L. Lark, Millersburg, were electby acclamation and instructed for Sen Coal company. A large force of men was soon engaged in finding the cause or S. J. McCarrell, of Harrisburg, for

of the fire, and in the prevention of its outenant governor. spreading. Three large streams of water were forced on and the pumps ire working at full force to check the York, Pa., May 17 .- The Republicans of progress of the fire.

York county met in convention today, Deputy Secretary of State Richard E. No lives are in danger. It is not Cochran, of York, a Wanamaker supknown what damage the fire will do or whether it will cause any suspension porter, was endersed for the nomination of work. Slope No. 1 is the largest and lieutenant governor and empowered name the six delegates from York most important mine in this section and employs about eight hundred men. Wanamaker people had an overwhelming majority in the convention and the Quay

SUPERIOR COURT DECISIONS. forces offered little or no opposition.

Pittsburg, May 17 .- The Superior cour anded down the following decisions to-

City of Wilkes-Barre vs. E. H. Chase, P. Luserne: reversed. Nine appeals in obcomargarine cases ever passed upon, the decisions of the odist Episcopal church south today by the general conference in session here

Allegheny county courts being in every istance affirmed. No opinion accompa-ied the devisions, Judge Wickham announcing that his comments would be given out tomorrow. This action sustains Pennsylvania volunteer infantry

firming the fines imposed by the com-mitting megistrates on the offending today and was taken on to Chickamauga park a short time later. nerchants and dealers.

SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S DEVELOPMENTS.

The Spanish fleet purchased coal and provisions at Curacoa. Havana dispatch says that a small American vessel was blown up off Cardenas.

General Anguinaldo, the Philippine insurgent chief, will attack the Spanish force. Thrall and Jones, American newspaper men, will not be exchanged, but will be held as

sples.

- Hong Kong dispatch says that owing to blockade and resulting famine Manila will soon capitulate.
- New National Guard of Pennsylvania will be formed to take the place of the enlisted volunteers.

Baggage car at Conewago burns, destroying effects of officers of the Ninth regiment, Pennsylvania volunteers.

General Merrit denies the press stories to the effect that he had declined to go to the Philippines unless provided with a large force of United States regulars

A Haytien schooner, plying between "Christians, defend our faith against the Mole St. Nicholas, Jean Rabel and peretics who raise an insuperable bar-Glatinagua, reports, through an agent rier to immortal souls, enslave the of the Cuban insurgents at Port-deople, abolish crosses from cemeteries, Paix, having met the Spanish vessel forbid pastors to perform baptism, matseveral times during the last few rimony or funeral rites, or to adminter consolation or grant absolution." Pending the arrival of troops from

weeks. The Spaniards are supposed to hide in the Cuban ports during the the United States, the Americans defer day and to go out cruising at night.

Two More Fire Victims.

St. Hyacinthe, Que., May 17.-Two more sodies of victims of the fire at Lametirie resplial vesterday have been found in the ruins, making a total of eight deaths Both wereburned beyond recognition. The hodies are probably those of Clima Hy sonette and Mrs. J. Berthaniel, reported missing. Sister Cormier and Mrs. Corbeil are dying from their injuries. ve come together, that there will be no

Shors for Volunteers.

Philadelphia, May 17 .- Two car loads of numbering 10,000 pairs, WOFE shoes. chipped tonight from the Schuvlkill arenal for the volunteer army now being hugh Lee will leave for Washington to 0.000 tents were received at the arsonal Harrisburg, May 17 .- The county Refrom New York and will be forwarded to

the various points of mobilization of troops as soon as orders are received.

Brief Session of the House.

Washington, May 17.-The house held a brief session today. Two important bills affecting labor were passed, one limiting the labor of persons employed upon gov ernment works and in government service to eight hours daily and the other. providing for the appointment of a nonpartisan labor commission to conside legislative problems affecting labor.

Another Spanish Protest.

Madrid, May 17 .- The newspapers here essent that letters for Spain, even letters containing checks and other valu-ables have been stopped at New York and destroyed. The papers demand that the government make reprisals upon Amer lean residents in Spain, especially in the of the correspondents of American newspapers.

New Methodist Bishops.

Volunteer Army. Baltimore, May 17.-The Rev. Dr. War ren A. Candler, of Oxford, Ga., and the Rev. Dr. H. C. Harrison, of Nashville, Tenn., were elected hishops of the Meth-Washingin, May 17,-The voluntee army is rapidly nearing completion. Reports received by Adjutant Corbin to-night show that 92,580 men have been Eighteen states, including Pennsylvania, have completed their Volunteers at Chattanooga.

Eskins Will Be Hanged.

and ship Richmond, Va., May 17-Jim Eskins, cers and men, under command of Colonel invicted of attempted criminal assault of an 11-year-old white girl named Wagte in Fauquier county, in March last, will anged at 5.20 o'clock tomorrow morning at Warrenton.

Vessel Blown Up.

Madrid, May 17,--(II p. m.)--Official dispatch from Havana couffrms reporblowing up small naval vessel off Cardenas, resulting in loss of eighteen lives. Dispatch says vessel was American.

Order to Battery B.

Washington, May 17 -- Among the orders issued to volunteer troops to move was one for Battery B, of Pennsylvania, to go to Chickamauga

Pennsylvania Pensions.

Washington, May 17 .- The following Pennsylvania pensions have been issued: Original-Henry Dix, Waverly, Lacka-wanna, & Original widows, etc.-Nina M. Jessup, Montrose, Busquehanna, \$8.

Les Leaves for Washington.

Richmond, Va., May 17 .- General Pitzbilized at Chickamauga. Today ab morrow morning.

sary, meanwhile simply keeping watch on the Spanish flying squadron to see that it does not do mischief either to the American shipping, or, by escaping into the Atlantic, to the seaboard cities,

By this plan, the military and naval officials might hope to silence the rather severe criticisms that are being expressed beause of delays in opening the military campaign in Cuba itself. Considerable pressure has come upon the administration from congressional quarters to have the campaign nastened and there are thought to be signs of a resumption of the plans of the military leaders for the invasion of Cuba at the point where they were suddenly suspuded by the announcement of the arrival of the Spanish flying squadron at Martinique.

The department professes to feel no apprehension that Admiral Dewey or his men are in any wise endangered by their occupation of Manila harbor on the present basis, but this cannot be said of the unfortunate inhabitants of Manila. It is no small matter to or. ganize the transport of an expedition of 12,000 or 13,000 soldiers 6,000 miles across the sea at short notice, but the indications are that within a week some of the soldiers at least will be on their way from San Francisco following the Charleston which is expected to leave at any moment with a few supplies most urgently needed by Admiral Dewey,

CYCLONE IN NEBRASKA.

Lincoln. Neb., May 17 .- Meagre reports are coming in of violent tornadoes along Republican river in South Central Nebraska. Many houses were torn to pleees and stock killed.

Fear of some fatalities.

Shot Her Brother.

New York, May II.-Cateldo Laferade and his brother, Angelo, quarrelied in Brooklyn touight over the sale of a small harber shop and as a result Cateido is dead and C. M. Decorma fatally wound-ed. Cateldo attempted to stab Angelo. whereupon the latter drew a revolver and shot his brother in the breast. C. M. Decormo attemptel to interfere and was shot in the groun. Angelo escaped.

Watch Case Factory Burns.

Attlebore. Mass., May E.-Fire broke out in J. M. Bate's watch factory in Mill street, in the jewelry district, at 12.15 s n., and spread to adjoining buildin still burning fiercely. Present loss esdmatid at \$209,000.

Penusylvania Postmasters.

Washington, May 17 .- The president to-day sent to the senate the nomination of flinm M. Allison to be postmaster at Mifflintown, Pa.

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Washington, May 17.-Forecast for Wednesday: For eastern Penn- sylvania, fair weather; northwest erly winds. For western Pennsyl vania, warmer; light variable
winds becoming southerly. *************************

ie judgment of the lower courts in af-