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FEVERISH ACTIVITY AT THE DEPARTMENT

Some Very Important News from the Seat of War May Be Expected in a Few Hours-Lieutenant Hobson Will Be Allowed to Take a Hand in Selecting His Own Reward. New Breech Mechanism for the Guns of the Battleship Massachusetts.

Washington, June 16 .- In the way of | ciding upon the further disposition of Santiago or from Dewey at Manila. This absence of affirmative news from maintain themselves until the troops at Manila is not harm to Dewey, but | Camp Alger. to the Spanlards in the city. The officials of the war department do not care to give out any specific information as to when General Shafter, wiht his troops, will land in Cuba, but from certain signs of restlessness exhibited by them, it is evident they would not be surprised to have some very important news within the next 24 or 36 hours.

The naval officials are confident Sampson will have established cable connection within that time so that news of the arrival of the American troop transports off Santiago should not be longer delayed than the time required for a dispatch boat to make the run of 40 miles eastward along the coast to the shores of Guantanamo harbor where the cable will be working under the protection of Colonel Huntington's marines.

FEVERISH ACTIVITY.

There was an exhibition of feverish activity at the war department today Steps accordingly have been taken to so pronounced as to attract attention even in these stirring times. It was apparent that renewed efforts were making to complete the equipment of the troops already gathered at the conthat no orders have gone out for the actual movement and what has been nite action will follow a conference which Secretary Alger and the president will have with General Miles gave rise to rumors today that the when he arrives here tomorrow from Tampa. The general is better aware of the exact fliness of the troops at the tiago and that two of the big guns southern rendezvous points than any one else and the president and Secre- There was no basis for the rumor betary Alger in all probability will be youd the disordered breech mechanism bound by what he has to say in de- referred to.

SPANISH SOLDIERS

Account of Suffering Given by a Pris-

oner at Guantanomo.

SPANISH TROOPS ARE MADE TO BE

LIEVE THAT THEY WILL BE

KILLED IF THEY SURRENDER TO

AMERICANS-THE MARBLEHEAD'S

a prisoner on the Marblehead.

The Marbiehead's little steam launch

cleared out a detachment of Spanish

hour. The launch had been dragging

found one and was towing it back to

the Marblehead when the enemy, con-

cealed in the bushes on the shore

spened a hot fire on the five men in

the launch. The launch beaded toward

shore and began banging away but

the bow gun was finally isnocked over

board, carrying the gunner with it. In

the meantime the enemy was deeing

wildly. The marine was promptly res-

cued. It is believed that several Span-

CONGRESS PROCEEDINGS.

Washington, June 16 .- After devoting

an hour today to the discussion of a bili restoring the annuities to the Sisseton and Wahpeton bands of Sieux Indians.

fards were killed.

ARE STARVING

actual events there was little to record troops. If General Miles, as is thought today; no word came from Sampson at probable, recommends a further concentration of troops on the southern senboard, the new camp at Fernandina, the respective seats of war gave rise Fla., will be made ready for the recepto no apprehension. The officials are tion of the additional troops. The ofresting secure in the belief that the ficials have been forehanded as to this marines at Guantanamo can easily camp, profiting by the experience gained in the establishment of the two arrive and the worst that can be feared great camps at Chickamauga and

HOBSON'S REWARD.

The president has not yet decided what measure of reward shall be meted out to Hobson for his brave achievement. The men he led have been taken care of: Secretary Long attended to that himself because it was a matter entirely within his authority, and they have been made warrant officers, the ideal of a sailor's ambition. Hobson is to be advanced, that is settled. The department called upon Sampson for a recommendation in this case, but in advance of its arrival had about decided to advance Hobson ten numbers. which would have placed him just below Constructor Linnard, when a doubt arose as to whether the young man would not prefer a transfer to the line. His relatives were consulted, among them his uncle, Representative Pearson, of North Carolina, and it was dochoice as between the line and staff. acquaint him with the department's purpose and ask his pleasure in the

The navy department has sent to the battleship Massachusetts a complete centration points and that preparations new breech mechanism for one of the are in progress to move a number of big 13-inch guns of that ship. This troops. So far, however, it is stated was due to a report reaching the debreech of one of the guns was out of and is being done in that direction is order. The new mechanism will be demerely preparatory. Very likely defi- livered in a day or two and can be States Consul Dent made representa-

> The condition of this 12-inch gun Massachusetts had suffered rather severely during the first action off Sanwere disabled and a gunner killed.

erlean bank. A test vote on an amend-

ment clearly indicated that a majority of the senate favors the measure. A find vote on it is expected tomorrow. icral deficiency bill was considered tolay by the house, but was not discoof, it probably will be taken up tomor row and passed unless the private calendar is urged.

THE SHELLING OF CAIMANERA

The Texas, Marbichead and Suawance Sond Shot Into the Brick

STEAM LAUNCH DEFEATS A DE-TACHMENT OF BUSHWHACKERS. Fort and Enrihworks. (Copyright, 1898, by the Associated Press.

Camp McCalla, Guantanamo Bay, Camp McCalla, Guantanamo Eny, June 15, 3.30 p. m., via Kingston June June 15, via Kingston, June 16.—The 16, 19.40 a. m .- During the afternoon a brick fort and earthworks at Caircahalf-starved and ragged Spanish solners, at the end of the railroad lendng to the city of Guantamamo, were dier crawled into the camp and gave himself up. He said he expected to be leniolished today by the hombardment of the Texas, Marblehend and Su- to have left Kingston with her. shot, but he would gladly die if they would only give him food and water cance. The warships opened fire at p. m., and the hombardment lasted one He had had neither for forty-eight our and thirty minutes. He reported that there were two

The Texas steamed slowly up the thousand Spanish soldiers, half-starved. channel leading to the fortifications. who wanted to give themselves up, but followed closely by the Marblehead. The Texas fired two shots as range that they believed that they would be killed by the Americans as soon as finders, both falling short and to the they were once in captivity. The Spanright. The Marblehend stood off to the iard was given a good dinner and some west side of the channel and opened with her five-inch guns on the fort clothing and was then taken on board the Marbiehead. He declared that he knocking down part of the wall. The would gladly go back and report to his Texas then threw in some twelve-inch comrades, but that they would cershells, tearing down the walls of the tainly shoot him. He is now held as fort and throwing the bricks and mor-

tar thirty feer in the air. After badly damaging the fort, the Marblehead stood further in to shell bushwhackers this afternoon and exthe earthworks and barracks at the caped without the loss of a man after west end of the harbor. She knocked a hor engagement of a quarter of an them into the air, and when the Spanmails fled from the fort they the harbor near the fort for mines, had anciled by the St. Paul and driven into

> The Smaniards fired only five shots, which did no damage.

After the ships stood out into the harbor, the Spaniards in the bush opened fire on the Marblehead's launch, which replied vigorously. The Suwance then turned back and theiled the bushes, driving the Spanlards inland,

Will Speak at Omaha.

Philiadelphia, June 16.-United State District Attorney James M. Beck, of this ity, today received a letter from President Wattles, of the board of directors of the Trans-Mississippi international ex-position at Omaha, asking him to deliver the Fourth of July orntion at the expesition. Mr. Beck has accepted the

REPORT OF CONSUL WILLIAMS.

States That Admiral Dewey's Exploit Rivaled That of Paul Jones.

Washington, June 16 .- The state deonsul Williams, who was stationed at Manila before the outbreak of the car, describing the battle of Manila, in which h was a participant being on board the Baltimore at one time and on the flagship Olympia at another time. The consul says the buttle lusted two and a half hours and that the Spanish were outclassed at every point.

"Our guns had greater effectiveness our officers and men greater bravery. The crews are hoarse from cheering and while we suffer for cough drops and throat doctors we have no use for liniments and surgeons," He says Admiral Dewey's exploit rivalled that of Paul Jones,

CAMARA'S SQUADRON.

It Possesses an Iron Clad Which Has Not Been Mentioned.

Madrid, June 16 .- Captain Aunon minister of marine, has returned from Cadiz and has started for Cartagena It is asserted that an "ironclad which has not yet figured in any published list, forms part of Admiral Camara's squadron.

Admiral Cervera cables that he has provisions enough for the fleet until autumn. He says: "A shell from an American warship,

falling from a great elevation, struck the Vizeaya, which, owing to her excellent armor, was not damaged. General Blanco cables from Havana that the batteries there fired on the United States cruiser Montgomery, which left the line of blockade, Eleven ressels are now blockading the port of

SAMPSON CHASING BLOCKADE RUNNER

Loaded with Provisions for Blanco. Fast Auxillary Cruiser Detailed to Capture the Ship.

Copyright, 1898, by the Associated Press. Kingston, Jamaica, June 16, (2.15 p. m.)-The Spanish steamer Purisima Concepcion, loaded with food for Manzanilla, left Kingston at 2 o'clock this morning, taking a westward course. The colonial authorities ignored the protest of United States Consul Dent. as not based on sufficient evidence. and gave the ship her clearance.

The Purisima Concepcion arrived at Kingston in the latter part of May from Manzanillo, with a Spanish commissariat officer in disguise, seeking supplies. She already had on board a large amount, which had been obtained elsewhere. But at Kingston she began at once to take on flour, corn and rye, purchasing in all 2,800 bags of corn from Jamaican merchants.

The Colonial authorities were informed by her owners that clearance papers would be asked for a non blockaded port, like Manzanillo on the south coast, on the bay of Gunayaro, United readily substituted for the old breech, tions to the government of the island against the vessel, and a careful inonicy was instituted, and authorities promising that if Mr. Dent could furnish specific proof that her captain intended to run for a blockaded port they would refuse to allow her to load. KINGSTON MERCHANT WEAKENS

> An attempt was then made by her known Kingston merchant agreed to ake a bill of sale, registering as a he would incur if she violated sionists was held. the neutrality laws. Another attempt ties, for the full value of the ship,

Mr. Dent's protest failing, the Purisina Concepcion, according to dispatches has been planning to leave as secretly is possible, in the hope, under cover of mind of Mr. Dent that the supplies and provisions, though loaded nominalo for an emblockaded port, are destin- in progress. ultimately for General Blanco's

troops.

There is little likelihood that she will reach her destination, as Admiral Sampson is fully aware of her plans and has probably detailed a fast auxillary cruiser to capture her and the Spanish officer, Lieutenant Commander Joseph Montague, who is understood

Bond Subscriptions.

Philadelphia, June 16.-Popular sub-eriptions to the government war loan ire still being received in large numbers, Today at the sub-freusury in this city over \$125,000 had been subscribed for before closing hours, an increase of \$55,000 over vesterday. The subscriptions ateraged about \$100 apiece, many large amounts were subscribed by banks and trust companies, including one for \$500,000 by the Equitable Trust com-pany, of which ex-National Democratic Committeman William F. Harrity

president. Frank Bellew Hanged.

Sacramento, Cal., June 19.-Frank Bollew, the Dixon poisoner, was hanged at the Folsom prison today. He reiterated statement he made after his arrest brother and sister because he had not recived a fair share of his father's estate.

THE STORY OF THE DAY. IT IS ANNOUNCED that the Cadly beet

has sailed for an unknown destination. PULASKI F. HYATT will assist Miss Barton in relief work in Cuba. SPANISH CRUISER VIZCAVA bit by a

shell during bombardment. AUXILIARY CEUISER has been de Admiral Sampson to cap ture provision steamer with supplies

ADMIRAL SAMPSON'S fleet bombards the Santiago batteries for the third

IT IS RUMORED that the Philippine transports were sighted by a British steamer off the Island of Panar.

BANK OF SPAIN OFFERS PESETAS

artment has received a report from Twenty-eight Million Will Beat Disposal of the Treasury.

> THE ENVOY SENT TO ILOILO WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO COMMUNICATE WITH GENERAL AUGUSTI FAILS. THE MANUA SITUATION IS RE GARDED AS MOST SERIOUS-NOTH-ING FRESH FROM SANTIAGO.

Madrid, June 16.-The Bank of Spain has agreed to place 28,000,000 pesctas at the disposal of the treasury for war purposes.

A dispatch received here from the commander of the Vizcaya islands and Mindanao, the latter the second largest island of the Philippine group, under date of June II, says that an envoy sent to Hoilo, Island of Panay, with instructions to endeavor to communicate with Governor General Augusti, failed in his mission. The messenger, the dispatch adds, found that Luzon (of which Manila is the capital) had been cut by the insurgents and that the native militia were deserting by wholesale. The Vizenya islands and the island of Mindanao, however, were

A dispatch from the governor of Sanfresh nature has occurred at that place. Premier Sagasta, upon leaving the ablact council todar, said that two provinces of Luxon were still loyal to he Spanish government, but that the situation in Manila was of the most serious character.

FUSIONISTS AT OMAHA.

The Retirement of Marion Butter Is Demanded. Omaha, Neb., June 16.-In the discus-

ion of the report of the credentials committee, a report more or less favorable to the fusionists, the middle of the roaders, today endeavored to force the national Populist committee to admit Paul Vondervoort, of Nebraska, as entitled to hold the proxy of M. W. Howard, of Alabama, in the national ommittee. They were led by Colonel Frank Burkitt, of Mississippi, On a call of the roll they were defeated by a cote of 34 to 31.

Afterward Colone! Burklit made a ong speech in which he demanded the etirement of Marion Butler from the chairmanship of the national commit-The report of the committee was deroll to be called, with no change of

All the middle of the road Populists presecuting their fight upon Senator Marion Butler, but so far without suc cess. Through ex-Congressman Weller, of Iowa, they made an effort during the afternoon to have the report of the credentials committee barring out Paul Vandervoort, of Nebraska, from Alger and the president have had an owners to change her register. A well- the committee and setating the contestant from Iowa favorable to the fusionists reconsidered but they suffered British owner, but he withdrew when defeat. Then a conference between the government pointed out the lia-Then a conference between

The result of the converence was that to obtain a register of ownership was an agreement was reached to the cfmade, this time through an irresponsi- feet that no more fusion propositions ble clerk, but the government refused should come from the Populist his proposal unless he could fortify it | national committee; that the convenwith a bond, with two resident sure- tion of 1960 should be held early in the year, independently of any other convention. But upon demand upon the middle of the roaders, that Chairman rom Kingston to the Associated Press. Butler should resign, the conference could not all agree. The report consumed several hours of an executive darkness, of evading capture. There session and finally it was deemed nechas never been the least doubt in the essary to have an entirely new con-

At midnight another conference was

12.39 a. m .- Another report from the inference was received and another fight started over the effort of Robert Schilling to secure the admission of J R. Sovereign on a proxy. Another recess till I o'clock was taken.

OFF TO CAMP ALGER.

The Eighteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers Leave Mt. Gretna.

Lebanon, Pa., June 16.-The Eighteenth regiment. Pennsylvania voluncers, leaves tomorrow morning for Delawage City. Recruiting officers have been notified to send new recruits there. Farewell services were held tonight in the Young Men's Christian association tent.

Orders were received today from General Graham directing the three cavalry troops to proceed to Camp-Alger. Va., as soon as supplied with horses. The Sheridan and Governor's duties. troops will have all their houses by the end of the week, but the City troop needs seventy-five. The troops are to be camped at Camp Aiger. Brigadier General Gobin, whose appointment was | made confirmed by the senate, left his home in Lebanon tonight and will report to Secretary Alger.

New Iron Puddters' Rate.

Youngstown, O. June 16.-An agree-nent was reached late tonight between the Iron manufacturers and the wage on on practically the present rate of \$4 ton on a one-cent card rate for purt iling and present finishers' scale. About 5,000 men are affected by this decision The minor changes affect the rules. The new year commences on July 1.

An Editor's Sentence.

Harrisburg, June E.-Thomas Joyce ditor of the Mahanoy City Black Disand, was today sentenced to serve onths in the penitentiary for per-He gave false evidence in a against him for libel preferred by Sena-tor Coyle, of Schuylkill county, and when afterwards arraigned for perjury pleaded

"POPS" BOLT AGAIN.

They Hold a Convention and Nomir nte a Ticket.

Minneapolis, June 16.-The middle of-the-road Populists, who bolten the state Populist convention, held in this city yesterday, because the majority insisted upon fusion with the Demo crats and silver Republicans, held a convention of their own today and nominated the following state ticket: For governor, L. E. Long. Magnolle utenant governor, Littel Halverson, Belgrade: for secretary of state, M Wogenberg, Duluth: for auditor harles Hopkins, Fairfax; for treasorer, P. H. Rabilly, Lake City; for at orney general, John F. Kelly, St. Paul; for clerk of the supreme court,

A. L. Stromberg, Forest Lake. Ignatius Donnelly, the leader of the bolters, was endorsed for United States senator. Three new members of the Populist national committee were s ected. Whether or not they will be seated depends upon the outcome of the contest between the factions now gathered at Omaha.

GIVE THE SPANIARD HIS DUE.

Stephen Crane Telegraphs That Ma-

rines Were Not Mutilated. New York, June 16 .- Stephen Crane telegraphs to the Evening World from the telegraph lines in the island of Guantanamo bay, June 1t, a positive denial of statements that the bodies of the marines killed in the fighting on Saturday were mutilated after the men |

The appearance of mutilation, it is asserted, was caused by Mauser bullets fired at close range, the Spaniards baving ambushed the marines, one of in prison. whom was pierced by eight bullets. tlage de Cuba says that nothing of a Surgeon Edgar is quoted as authority the main assault was directed, were for the contradiction of the story of

THE INVASION OF PORTO RICO

Thirty-five Transports to Be Used in the Expedition .- The Army Will Equal That Which Left for Santingo de Cuba.

Washington, June 16,-The war department expects to utilize approxipedition for the invasion of Porto Rico. This statement was made official at the department today. It seems to indicate that the Porto Rico army will equal if not exceed in numbers that which left for Santiago. The estimate s made that the 35 vessels will carry between 15,000 and 20,000 men with their equipments and subsistence Army officials say that reports which have been received from reliable sources show that the number of Spanish ee and told the fusionists that if they soldiers in that country is probably persisted in their course of action they 10,000 men, although other statements sume, they say, that when the United clared by Chairman Butler adopted on States army commences active operaa viva voce vote, but on a suggestion tions against the city of San Juan from Senator Allen, chairman of the every available man in that place will credentials committee, he allowed the be impressed into the Spanish military service and given a gun. Hence they feel that the army of invasion should be of such proportions as to leave no doubt of its ability and capacity to cope successfully with the enemy.

It is stated positively that the embarkation point for the troops for Porto last night. Coffee was served to the mined and will not be until Secretary rrunity to confer with Major General Miles, who will return to the city temorrow. There is no doubt, however, that this embarkation will take place from some point on the Atlantic coast with a probability in favor of Fernandina, Fla., or Savannah, Ga.

BRUTALLY MURDERED.

Farm Hand.

Baltimore. June 16 .- Lemuel Morris, aged 40 years, was brutally murdered near Parkton, Baltlmore county, today by Frank Taylor, 23 years of age, Taylor, a farm hand, together with two ships, boys, Tolsert and George Wills, were some words of instruction given by Morris and, while the latter was oping over, struck him behind the gun captains ear with the blunt end of an axe. Morris fell dead and the murderer turned little town of Parkton, where the auparty organized.

Morris was a widower and leaves excellent reputation and was well liked by his neighbors. Taylor has Dauntless lay served a term in the house of correction, and has been regarded as a little "queer" mentally.

Will Assist Miss Burton.

Philadelphia, J. 16. Polaski F. Hy att, of Lewisburg, Pa., formerly United States consul at Santhago de Cuba, to day accepted a request made by Clara Barton that he assist in charge of the relief work in Cuba Figure left his home this afternoon for

Seal Claims Settled.

Washington, June 16.-The claims of Canadian sealers arbdug out of seizures were finally settled today by the payment to Sir Julian Pauncefore, the British am-bassador, of approximately \$173,000 being the full amount of the claims and settles under an agreement between the United States and Great Britain.

Woodworkers' Strike.

Chicago, June 16.—Sixteen hundred members of the Woodworkers' union. employed in sash, door and blind factories of Chicago, struck today. The men have been receiving \$1.50 and \$1.75 a day for ten hours' work. They demand a mini-mum wage scale of \$2 a day and nine hours for a day's work.

Talbot Sails for Havana,

Kingston, Jamaica, Jane 16,-It is un erstood that the British warship Talbo which brought thirty-eight refugees from Havana five days ago, railed from Port Royal yesterday for Havana, to bring away the British consul there and any British subjects who are desirous of leaving the Cuban capital

STILL HAMMERING SANTIAGO FORTS

Admiral Sampson's Fleet Bombards the Santiago Forts for a Third Time-The Spanish Gunners Soon Desert the Batteries-Terrible Work of the Dynamite Cruiser Vesuvius—All of the Forts Save El Morro Are Badly Wrecked.

patch Boat Dauntiess, of Santiago de Cuba, Thursday, June 16, noon, via Kingston, Jamaica, Thursday, June 16, 9 p. m.-Rear Admiral Sampson's fleet bombarded the batteries at Santiago de Cuba for the third time at daylight this morning. For hours the ships pounded the batteries at the right and left of the entrance, only sparing El Morro, where Lieutenant Hobson and his companions of the Merrimac are

The western batteries, against which badly wrecked. One was utterly destroyed. In others many guns were

At first the Spaniards replied passionately and wildly, but impotently Then most of the guns were deserted Not a ship was struck nor a man in fured on the American side.

It is believed that the enemy's los of life was heavy.

As a preliminary to the hammering given the batteries the dynamic cruiser Vesuvius was last night given another chance. Three two-hunnately thirty-five transports in the ex- dred-and-fifty-pound charges of gun otton were sent over the fortifications drop them in the bay, around the angle back of the eminence on which El Morro is situated, where it was known that the Spanish torpedo boat destroyers were lying. Two charges went ity of the explosion of gun cotton in water. Whether the destroyers were demolished is not known, but the dewould drive the southern Populists to indicate that there is considerably less structive area of gun cotton is large an affiliation with the Republicans. than that number. It is fair to as- and it would not be surprising if it is both were destroyed.

A crater big enough to hold a church

was blown out of the side of Cayo Smith and was clearly seen from the ships this morning. Admiral Sampson issued the orders for the hombardment Rico has not yet been finally deter- men at half-past three this morning and with the first blush of dawn the men were called quietly to quarters. The ships steamed in five knots to a three thousand yards range when they closed up, broadside on, until a distance of three cable lengths separated them. They were strung out in the form of a crescent, the heavy lighting ships in the center, the flagship on the right flank and the Massachusetts on Lemuel Morris Killed by a Crazy the left flank. The line remained stationary throughout the bombardment. The Vixen and Scorpion took up position on opposite side of flanks close in shore for the purpose of enfilleding any infantry that might fire upon the

When the ships got in position it was engaged in loading logs upon a wagon still too dark for any firing. The adfor Morris. Taylor became offended at miral signated the ships not to fire until the muzzles of the enemy's guns in the embrustives could be seen by the

BOMBARDMENT BEGINS. Fifteen minutes later, at 5.25 a. m.

menacingly towards the boys, who can the New York opened with a broadscreaming through the woods to the side from her main battery, at the works on the east of the entrance to thorities were notified and a searching the harbor. All the ships followed in red streaks of flame. The fleet enveloped in smoke, pelted the hills find our small children. He was a man of | kirked up dirt and masonry. It was a magnificent spectacle, from where the

The firing was so rapid that there was an almost continuous report. The neasured crash of the big 12 inch guns of the battleships sounded above the

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today:

Showers; Warmer Telegraph-Auxisty at Admiral Sampson on the Lookout for a Food Laden Steamer for Blanco. Half-Starved Syantsh Soldiers. Bank of Spain's Tender for War Pur-

Telegraph-Chairman Marman Talka

Politics, Base Bali Games of a Day. Paranelal and Commercial

Local-Doings of a 1six in Our Sexeral Courts. Closing Section of Universalists Con-Pourth of July Comes.

Editorial. Comment of the Press.

Cuba-A Veritable Natural Treasury, Local-Conmon and Select Council Meetings. Soldiers' Relief Association.

Local-Duryen Mine Cave. Street Commissioner Dunning Intends to Resign.

Local-West Scranton and Suburban. 9 News Round About Scranton.

0 Telegraph-Troops at Camp Alger to Move South.

Copyright, 1898, by the Associated Press.) grattle of the guns of the secondary bat-On Board the Associated Press Dis- teries like thunder claps above the din of a harricane. A strong land breeze of the shore carried the smoke of the ships seaward, while it let down a thick curtain in front of the Spanish

> The Spanish gaus responded spiritedly at first, but the frenzied, half crazed fire could not match the cool, nervy trained eyes and skilled gunnery of the American soldiers. Our fire was much note effective than in preceding bombardments

In fifteen minutes one western battery was completely wrecked. Massachussetts tore a gaping hole in the emplacement with a thousand pound projectile and the Texas gropped a shell into the powder magazine The explosion wrought terrible havoc The frame was lifted, the sides were down out and a shower of debris flew in every direction. One timber, carried out of the side of the pattery, went tumbling down the hill. The loss

d life must have been great. The batteries on the east of Mocro were harder to get at, but the New briegns crossed the bows of the New York to within 500 yards of the shore and played a tattoo with her long eightinch rifles, hitting them repeatedly, striking a gun squarely muzzle on. lifting it off its trunions and sending it in sweeping somersaults high in the

THE LAST SHOTS.

Several times again Samuson signaled the ships temporarily to cease firng, in order to allow the smoke to clear from the batteries. When the order came at 6.39 to cease firing every gun of the enemy had been silenced for en minutes, but as the ships drew off some of the Spanish courage returned and a half dozen shots were fired spitefully at the Massachussetts and Oregon, falling in their wakes. At the close of the action a stream of multiolored flags floated from the New York, generally complimenting the ships and especially commending the work of the Texas and New Orleans. The men on the New Orleans raised a heer, which was passed quickly from ship to ship, until every jackey the fleet was howling himself hoa.ec. The destruction and death at the

western batteries must have been ap-Admiral Sampson is highly gratified with the results of the bombardment. He thinks the western batteries practically demolished. As some of the guns on the eastern batteries did not fire, he thinks it possible they were

only dummies. The only regret expressed is that Lieutenant Holson and his men by their presence in El Morre made it sacred. Otherwise it would now be a pilf ruins. Judged from a position near the flagship, probably no fewer than five thousand projectiles were fired off. a total weight of half a million pounds.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

Chairman Garman's Official Call for the Altoona Garbering.

Harrisburg, June 16.—Chairman John M. Garman, of the Democratic state committee, issued the following call for the state convention from Demoratic headquarters here tonight;

In accordance with the instruction of the Democratic state central committee, the Democratic state convenion is called to meet at the Eleventh Avenue Opera house, in the city of Altoons, on Wednesday, June 29, 1838. didates for the following offices: Covernor, lieutemant governor, secretary of internal affairs, judge of the superor court and two congressmen-atarge, and to attend to such other ousiness as may come before the concention "Delegates upon their arrival in the

ity will please report at headquarters at the Logan house. Straight Colored Ticket.

Birminghum, Ala., June W.-Asout sixty negro Republicans of the state, ocon dissatisfied with the failure of their convention to put a ticket, met her oday and nominated a straight colored icket, headed by Rev. A. J. Warner, of efferson county, for governor,

Turret Plate for the Kearsarge.

Reinlehem, Pa., June 16.-The Bethle-em fron company tonight shipped turrer The company's dant is working day and night on armor date, gun forgings and carriages for the

Cadiz Fleet Has Returned. Paris, June 17,-The Suropean edition of the New York Herald says: "The Cadix squadron safed at surrise on Wednes-day, but returned in the evening."

**************** WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, June 18.-Potseast for Friday: For eastern Pennsylvania, threatening weather, followed by showers, warmer, easterly winds, becoming southerly. For western conselvania, partly cloudy weather; warmer; light northerly winds, becoming south-

New York, June 17 .- Gierald's New England, today, partiy cloudy to fair weather will need with slight temperature shoulds and slight to fresh variable grade til-