

SCHLEY COURT REPORTS

Majority Findings Against Him in Eleven Points.

ADMIRAL DEWEY SUSTAINS HIM

Majority Report Says Famous "Loop" Caused Vessels to Lose Position With Enemy—Second Report Gives Schley Credit For Santiago Victory.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The most prolonged, interesting and important naval tribunal ever held in this country came to a close yesterday, when Secretary Long was handed the findings of the court of inquiry which inquired into the conduct of Rear Admiral Schley during the Santiago campaign. The result was a complete surprise, and it is probable that no prophecy has approached the truth. Instead of one report there are two. Both are signed by George Dewey, president, and by Samuel C. Lemly, as judge advocate. This is a form said to be recognized in all courts of inquiry, the signatures of the other members not being necessary. But it is explained that Admiral Dewey signed the second report, a minority report, to express his qualifications or dissent from the views expressed by the court, comprising beside himself Admirals Benham and Ramsay in the first report.

Majority Report.
The majority report condemns Admiral Schley on eleven points, while Admiral Dewey sustains him in most particulars. The majority opinion finds that Commodore Schley, in command of the flying squadron, should have proceeded with the utmost dispatch off Cienfuegos and should have maintained a close blockade of that port.

He should have endeavored on May 23 at Cienfuegos to obtain information regarding the Spanish squadron by communicating with the insurgents at the place designated in the memorandum delivered to him at 8.15 a. m. of that date.

He should have proceeded from Cienfuegos to Santiago de Cuba with all dispatch, and should have disposed his vessels with a view of intercepting the enemy in any attempt to pass the flying squadron.

He should not have delayed the squadron for the Eagle.

He should not have made the retrograde turn westward with his squadron.

He should have promptly obeyed the navy department's order of May 25.

He should have endeavored to capture or destroy the Spanish vessels at anchor near the entrance of Santiago harbor on May 29 and 30.

He did not do his utmost with the force under his command to capture or destroy the Colon and other vessels of the enemy which he attacked May 31.

By commencing the engagement on July 3 with the port battery and turning the Brooklyn around with port helm, Commodore Schley caused her to lose distance and position with the Spanish vessels, especially with the Viscaya and Colon.

The turn of the Brooklyn to starboard was made to avoid getting her into dangerous proximity to the Spanish vessels. The turn was made towards the Texas, and caused that vessel to stop and to back her engines to avoid possible collision.

Admiral Schley did injustice to Lieutenant Commander A. C. Hodgson in publishing only a portion of the correspondence which passed between them.

Commodore Schley's conduct in connection with the events of the Santiago campaign prior to June 1, 1898, was characterized by vacillation, dilatoriness and lack of enterprise.

His official reports regarding the coal supply and the coating facilities of the flying squadron were inaccurate and misleading.

His conduct during the battle of July was self-possessed, and he encouraged, in his own person, his subordinate officers and men to fight courageously.

GEORGE DEWEY,
SAMUEL C. LEMLY,
Minority Report.

In the opinion of the undersigned, the passage from Key West to Cienfuegos was made by the flying squadron with all possible dispatch. Commodore Schley having in view the importance of arriving off Cienfuegos with as much coal as possible in the ships' bunkers.

The blockade of Cienfuegos was effective.

Commander Schley in permitting the steamer Adula to enter the port of Cienfuegos expected to obtain information concerning the Spanish squadron from her when she came out.

The passage from Cienfuegos to a point about 22 miles south of Santiago was made with as much dispatch as was possible while keeping the squadron a unit.

The blockade of Santiago was effective.
Commodore Schley was the senior officer of our squadron off Santiago when the Spanish squadron attempted to escape on the morning of July 3, 1898. He was in absolute command and is entitled to the credit due to such commanding officer for the glorious victory which resulted in the total destruction of the Spanish ships.
GEORGE DEWEY,
SAMUEL C. LEMLY,
Recommendation.—In view of the length of time which has elapsed since the occurrence of the events of the Santiago campaign, the court recommends no further proceedings be had in the premises.
GEORGE DEWEY,
SAMUEL C. LEMLY.

EIGHT KILLED IN COLLISION.

Illinois Central Trains Running at Full Speed Wrecked.

Rockford, Ill., Dec. 16.—Failure on the part of a conductor to obey orders is supposed to have been the cause of a head-end collision on the Illinois Central railroad between Irene and Perryville yesterday morning. The two trains were the eastbound passenger train and a through freight from Chicago going west. As a result, eight people are dead or missing and eleven injured.

The trains met in a slight bend in the track, both running at full speed. An oil tank car in the freight train exploded, throwing burning oil over the wreck, and in an instant the wreckage was in flames. The smoking, express and baggage cars were piled on the locomotives, penning in the occupants of the smoker. Only three of the half dozen passengers in that car escaped. The others were penned in, and if not instantly killed were roasted to death. All efforts of the survivors to reach the victims were unavailing.

The temperature was 20 degrees below zero, and an icy wind was blowing. The point where the wreck occurred being in a shallow cut, affording no protection. The injured were without hats and wraps and suffered terribly. By the united efforts of the survivors, one car was pushed back from the wreckage to escape the flames and the wounded were placed on the bunks inside. Two hours elapsed before any relief was at hand. Then an engine arrived from the east and pulled the car to Irene, three miles distant.

A relief train was started from Rockford with medical aid. It arrived at the scene of the wreck 20 minutes later. In the meantime the injured had been brought back from Irene and were transferred to the relief train and brought to Rockford. Six bodies were recovered from the debris, but were charred beyond recognition.

SIGNALLED ACROSS OCEAN

Marconi Claims He Sent Wireless Message to England.

St. Johns, N. F., Dec. 16.—Signor Marconi announced on Saturday night that he had received electric signals across the Atlantic ocean at his station here from Poldhu, near Cornwall, England. Signor Marconi said that before leaving England he made plans to accomplish this result, although his primary object was to communicate with ocean liners. Signor Marconi elevated a kite with an aerial wire, by means of which signals were received. These signals consisted of repeating at intervals the letter "s," which in Marconi's code is made by three dots or quick strokes. This was repeated frequently to avoid the possibility of a mistake.

London, Dec. 16.—Major Flood-Page, of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph company, in an interview confirmed the report that Mr. Marconi at St. Johns, N. F., had received signals from the experimental station at Poldhu, Penzance. Major Flood-Page said that the severe weather made continuous tests very difficult, but that there was no doubt that the wireless signals had been successfully transmitted across the Atlantic.

Eight Killed in Montana Wreck.

Helena, Mont., Dec. 16.—A wreck occurred on the Great Northern railway near Essex, in the Rocky mountains, yesterday morning. The engine, mail car and smoker remained on the track, but all the other cars were derailed. Some of the cars were overturned and all were more or less wrecked. The accident was due to the rails spreading. Eight persons were killed, but their names have not been learned. Sixteen persons were more or less seriously injured. The train was going at a rate of 25 miles an hour, when it broke in two, and the air brakes were set immediately, preventing a more serious accident.

No Clue to Dennis Assassin.

Washington, Dec. 16.—There was a slight change for the worse last night in the condition of Mrs. Ada Gilbert Dennis, the fashionable dressmaker, who was so murderously assaulted last Monday night while in her bed at her residence on K street. There has been no improvement in her mental condition, and the detectives have not been able to obtain from her anything that would lead to the discovery of the identity of the assassin. Efforts to obtain information regarding the assailant from other sources have been equally unsuccessful.

Jersey Veterans Elect Officers.

Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 14.—The annual meeting of the Second Battalion, Twenty-fifth New Jersey Civil War Volunteers, held here, yesterday elected the following officers: President, Major J. Kelly Brown, of Camden; recording secretary, James M. Trenchard, of Bridgeton; finance secretary, William F. Smith, of Cold Spring; treasurer, Simon L. Westcott, of Atlantic City. Cape May was selected as the next place of meeting.

Carnegie Speaks of Gift.

New York, ec. 16.—Andrew Carnegie, on being asked about the \$10,000,000 gift which he has offered to the government for a national university, said: "That Washington matter will come out all right. If I had to sell those bonds myself I would have no trouble in getting the money for them. There will be no trouble about that Washington matter, mark my words."

Big Barn Burned.

Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 14.—A big barn, tobacco shed and carriage house on the farm of John H. Miller, in Manor township, were destroyed by fire yesterday, together with 1,000 bushels of wheat, 1,500 bushels of corn, six acres of tobacco, two mules, eight hogs and farming implements. The fire was incendiary. Loss, \$3,000.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Tuesday, December 10.

The Northwest breaker of the Temple Iron company, at Vandling, Pa., was destroyed by fire.

A special session of the Knights of Golden Eagle of Pennsylvania was held in Reading last night.

The Wabash Screen Door company's plant, at Rhinelander, Wis., was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$220,000.

Several fatalities and much damage was done by severe gales and snow storms throughout Great Britain.

During a shooting affray between Italians in Brooklyn, a 9-year-old schoolboy was mortally wounded.

Wednesday, December 11.

Ex-Judge Robert W. Hughes, aged 81 years, died in Washington county, Va.

G. L. Powell and J. S. Overstreet shot and killed each other in a duel at Zolo, Fla.

The churches of Indiana will observe the third Sunday of January as "McKinley day."

Alonzo P. Douglass, a Philadelphia lawyer, committed suicide by firing a bullet through his brain.

The safe of the Citizens' State Bank of Peckham, Okla., was blown open by thieves and \$2,900 stolen.

Rev. John Kinnunen, minister of the Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church at Copper Falls, Mich., killed his wife and two children and then committed suicide.

Thursday, December 12.

General Finston will sail from Manila for the United States on December 16.

Railroad yards at El Paso, Tex., are blocked with cars of eastbound oranges.

Dr. L. M. Sweetman, a well-known surgeon, died in Johns Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore.

Harold H. Weeks was elected captain of the Columbia University football team for 1902.

William K. Potter was appointed receiver for the Omaha Loan and Trust company yesterday.

The submarine boat Fulton, which sank at New Suffolk, L. I., on Monday, was raised yesterday.

Frank Bundy, who shot and killed his wife last August, was convicted of manslaughter at Johnstown, Pa.

Friday, December 13.

The carpet house of Lowery & Goebel, in Cincinnati, was burned. Loss, \$100,000.

Roger O'Mara, ex-superintendent of detectives of Pittsburg, declined reinstatement.

The American Window Glass Trust will close its factory at Muncie, Ind., because of scarcity of workmen.

The reports of the serious illness of Count Von Waldersee, who commanded the allied troops in China, is denied.

The Union Construction and Dry Dock company, of Norfolk, Va., has been granted a charter.

The condition of Mrs. Ada G. Dennis, of Washington, D. C., who was assaulted last Tuesday, is a trifle worse.

The executive committee of the Pennsylvania Democratic state committee will meet in Harrisburg next Wednesday.

Monday, December 16.

The worst earthquake shock since 1868 was felt at Manila, P. I., yesterday.

Many delegates to the Federation of Labor convention are storm-bound at Scranton.

Right Rev. Thomas Matthias Lenth, D. D., Catholic bishop of Cheyenne, Wyo., is dead.

The report that diplomatic relations between Germany and Venezuela have been broken off is denied.

Senator W. A. Clark, of Montana, has purchased Gottfried Preyer's collection of pictures for \$350,000.

The New York University has conferred the honorary degree of master of letters on Miss Helen Gould.

Yesterday was the coldest day Chicago experienced for 30 years, the thermometer registering 30 degrees below zero.

Eczema for Forty Years.

The Unqualified Statement of a Well Known Attorney, St. Ignace, Mich.

Some of the cures made by Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment of stubborn and long continued eczema and skin diseases are causing much comment.

People are beginning to realize that this Ointment is a wonder worker with all kinds of skin trouble. Attorney Jas. J. Brown, St. Ignace, Michigan, writes as follows:
Dr. A. W. Chase, Med. Co., Buffalo, N. Y.—Gents:—I cannot refrain from expressing my acknowledgment for the relief I have felt from Dr. Chase's Ointment. For 40 years I was afflicted with a skin disease which was located in one spot—on my leg. I have spent at a rough estimate five hundred dollars trying to effect a cure, and not until I applied this ointment did I get relief.

You are strangers to me and this letter is prompted directly because I want to say and I feel as though I ought to say it. That Chase's Ointment has effected a complete cure of my affliction. Three boxes did the work on my leg. I was also suffering from itching piles and applied the ointment which gave the best of satisfaction by affording me rest at night and rapidly causing the disease to disappear. I have received such relief and comfort from the ointment that I cannot withhold expressing my gratitude. I was so long afflicted with the tortures of eczema I feel now that I am cured, a word of recommendation is due from me.

Yours truly,
JAS. J. BROWN.

Dr. Chase's Ointment is sold at 50 cents a box at all dealers or Dr. A. W. Chase's Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

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About five years ago my right ear began to ring, and this kept on getting worse, until I lost my hearing in this ear entirely.

I underwent a treatment for catarrh, for three months, without any success, consulted a number of physicians, among others, the most eminent ear specialist of this city, who told me that, then cease, but the hearing in the affected ear would be lost forever.

I then saw your advertisement accidentally in a New York paper, and ordered your treatment. After I had used it only a few days according to your directions, the noise ceased, and to-day, after five weeks, my hearing in the diseased ear has been entirely restored. I thank you heartily and beg to remain Very truly yours,

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Insist upon having them, take no others and you will get the best shells that money can buy.
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Short Talks On Advertising
By Charles Austin Bates.

In most newspapers there is a dead level of advertising excellence, or rather lack of excellence.



"Probably in every town there are two or three advertisers who secure prominence."

The advertisements are generally of about the same degree of badness.

Probably in every town there are two or three advertisers who secure distinct prominence for their announcements by giving them a little attention and infusing into them a little life and interest.

A man doesn't have to get his head very far above the sea of mediocrity to command wide attention. Nine cases in ten, when a man says that advertising doesn't pay, he has arrived at this conclusion because he has expected the newspaper to do it all.

If he were to neglect his show window and his store front as he neglects his advertising space he would have still other complaints to make about business in general. If the windows were never washed and the display of goods never changed, he would not expect many people to stop and lose themselves in an ecstasy of admiration; and yet he does seem to expect just this sort of thing for an old, moss covered advertisement.

There is nothing magical about advertising. It is one of the tools of trade, just as a chisel is a tool of carpentry. The man who handles the chisel properly can do many useful things with it. If he is careless and awkward he is likely to cut himself.

It's the same way with advertising.



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