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## THE VICTORY OF ADMIRAL DEWEY.

### All the Reports of the Spanish Defeat Officially Confirmed.

The Americans in Complete Command of the Situation—Details of the ships of the Spanish Squadron That Were Destroyed—The President Congratulates and Promotes the Victorious Commander and Promises the Thanks of Congress.

Washington, May 7.—Notwithstanding that everybody for several days past has been in momentary expectation of cable advices from Commodore Dewey, the town was thrown into the wildest excitement at breakfast time this morning by the issue of extra papers, announcing the arrival of the McCulloch at Hong Kong with dispatches of the engagement from Commodore Dewey. The State Department has at last received its first news. It came in the shape of a cablegram of three words from U. S. Consul Wildman at Hong Kong, and was as follows: "Hong Kong—McCulloch. Wildman."

Manila, May 7.—Squadron arrived at daybreak this morning. Immediately engaged the Spanish vessels: Reina Christina, Castilla, Don Antonio de Ulloa, Isla de Cuba, Marques de Duro, Correa, Velasco, Isla de Mindanao, a transport, and water battery at Cavite. The squadron is unhurt, and only a few men are slightly wounded. Only means of telegraphing is to American Consul at Hong Kong. I shall communicate with him. "Dewey." (Signed)

### Admiral Dewey's Report.

Shortly before noon Secretary Long left the Navy Department for the White House and an official confirmation was made that a second dispatch from Commodore Dewey had been received. The Secretary carried this with him to the White House; pending the conference with the President there was intense eagerness among the waiting crowd to learn the contents of the second dispatch. Senators who saw the President secured brief intimations that Dewey's victory was overwhelming, and that he had a large number of Spanish prisoners in his possession.

At 12.30 Secretary Long gave from the President's private room the copy of the second message from Dewey, but in order to give equal facilities to the great number of people waiting, the Secretary held it until he reached his private office. There his secretary, Mr. Finney, brought the message and the Secretary read it, where a hundred or more anxious correspondents and curious observers took the dispatch as Mr. Finney read it. It was as follows:

"Long, Secretary Navy.  
"I have taken possession of the naval station at Cavite on the Philippine Islands. The Spanish fleet has been destroyed. I control the bay completely, and can take any ship at any time. The Spanish fleet is in health and spirits. Spanish loss not fully known, but very heavy. 150 killed, including captain of Reina Christina, and assisting in protecting Spanish sick and wounded; 250 sick and wounded in hospital within our lines. Much excitement at Manila. Will protect foreign residents." (Signed) Dewey."

### Honors for Dewey.

By direction of the President, Secretary Long sent the following cable dispatch to Commodore Dewey:  
"Dewey, Manila.  
"The President, in the name of the American people, thanks you and your officers and men for your splendid achievement and overwhelming victory. In recognition he has appointed you acting admiral, and will recommend a vote of thanks to Congress." (Signed) Long."

### The Ships Destroyed.

As soon as the Navy Department had the complete official report of the Spanish ships destroyed by Commodore Dewey, they turned to their data showing the character of the ships destroyed, and the extent of the devastation caused by the American fleet. Taking the list in the order reported by Commodore Dewey, the ships destroyed are as follows: The Reina Christina, cruiser, a single screw, barque-rigged ship, 1100 tons, displacement 3500 tons, length 130 feet, beam 45, mean draught 15 feet, armament 19 12-inch and 4-inch guns, 2 machine guns and five torpedo tubes; complement 310 men.

Castilla, built at Cadix in 1887; single screw, barque-rigged, one funnel, cruiser, displacement 3342 tons, length 246 feet, armament 19 12-inch guns and four revolving cannons, two torpedo tubes; complement 300 men.

Don Antonio de Ulloa, built at Carraca in 1887; iron cruiser, single screw, barque-rigged, one funnel, displacement 1152 tons, length 310 feet, armament eight 12-inch guns, one machine gun, two torpedo tubes; complement 173 men.

Isla de Cuba, built at Elswick in 1890, steel cruiser, double screw, two-masted, with military tops, length 200 feet, displacement 1040 tons, armament 12 2-inch, 3 torpedo tubes; complement 164 men.

General Lezo, iron cruiser, barque-rigged, 210 tons, length 113 feet, displacement 210 tons, armament 3 guns, 2 machine guns; complement 153 men.

Marques de Duro, built at La Seyne in 1875, iron gunboat, double screw, barque-rigged, displacement 500 tons, armament 8 guns, 1 machine gun, complement 98 men.

The El Correo is supposed to be the El Cano, that being the name given in the data of the Navy Department. She is a gunboat of 325 tons, double screw, barque-rigged, with 3 guns, 3 machine guns and 1 torpedo tube; complement 120 men.

Velasco, iron cruiser, barque-rigged, 210 tons, length 113 feet, displacement 210 tons, armament 3 guns, 2 machine guns; complement 153 men.

Isla de Mindanao, transport, built in 1881, length 370 feet, displacement 4105 tons.

The naval losses at the department do not show a Spanish ship of the name of Isla de Ulloa. The nearest to blockading is Don Antonio de Ulloa. As the latter is

## CAVITE WAS SEIZED.

### The Report That the Americans Had Again Bombarded the Place and Taken it Command.

Madrid, May 7.—(8 p.m.)—An official dispatch from General August, Governor-General of the Philippines, sent by way of the Island of Luzon, says:  
"The enemy seized Cavite and the arsenal owing to the destruction of the Spanish squadron, and established a close blockade. It is said that, at the request of the consuls, the enemy will not bombard Manila for the present, provided I do not open fire upon the enemy's squadron, which is out of range of our guns. Therefore, I cannot fire until they come nearer."  
"A thousand sailors arrived here yesterday evening from our destroyed squadron, the losses of which number 818."  
"A conference of the authorities has been held, at which it was decided to send reinforcements to the provinces to induce the spirit of the people, especially those provided with arms and endeavor to induce them to abandon the insurrection."  
"Captain-General Blanco wires from Havana as follows: 'One of the enemy's ships ventured within the range of one of our batteries, which inflicted slight damage and compelled the vessel to retire at full speed. Another vessel bombarded the batteries at the entrance to Matanzas, firing 35 projectiles, one of which struck the house, which were struck 19 times and damaged. Only one soldier was wounded.'"

## THE OREGON'S FIGHTING ABILITY.

### Something About the Warship Now on the Way From Brazil, and Her Captain.

Captain Charles E. Clark, the commander of the Oregon, which may be the most modern battleship ever put to the test of combat, is a native of New York, and like his ship, a graduate from the Naval Academy in the class of 1863. He had his baptism of fire in the Mobile Bay.

The ship which Capt. Clark commands is the largest of the Oregon class, and is practically the same model as the Indiana and the Massachusetts. A conception of what the ship is like can be obtained by the fact that it is 310 feet long, 40 feet wide, and has a displacement of 3200 tons. It is armed with 16 12-inch guns, and has a maximum speed of 21 knots. The ship is a marvel of modern naval architecture, and is expected to be a formidable opponent in any future war.

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Anna Held and her company are announced to appear at the Grand on Saturday evening. In addition to her songs, she will be made up by a comedy in "The Fairies," the following members contributing to the production: Master, Proctor, F. Storey, Earle Newton and Misses Gertie Cooper, V. Storey and May L. L.

Extra prizes have been offered by the Agricultural Fair Committee for the best essay on the subject of "The Oregon." The prize is a gold medal and a certificate of honor. The essays are to be sent to the committee by the 15th inst.

The bekeepers of York County will meet in the Mechanics' Institute, Stouffville, on Tuesday, May 10, to discuss the revival of the York County Fair.

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## BOOTH AND HUBBARD.

### Public Hearings.

"Ermeline" at the Princess Theatre. To-night the Cummings Opera Company will begin their fourth week at the Princess Theatre, with a revival of "Ermeline" and the production promises in every way to surpass all of the company's previous efforts. "Ermeline" has undoubtedly achieved greater success than any other comic opera ever produced, in America, and its presentation here is sure to meet with public approval. No opera has ever met with such favor in Toronto, and its revival will no doubt be marked by one of the largest week's business in the Cummings Company's season here. It will be the first time the opera has ever been presented at popular prices, and Mr. Cummings deserves the thanks of every theatre-goer for the expense of producing it is almost beyond such moderate prices as are being charged, the royalty on the opera being very heavy.

North Toronto. The adjourned sale of lands for town taxes will be held at the hall, Eglington, on Monday, May 10, at 10 o'clock.

The town taxes have been met this year better than any year in its previous history, and but a small surplus of the total will have to be returned by Collector Whaley as unpaid.

The final meeting of the Mission Band of the Eglington Methodist Church was held Friday evening at the school house, where a good program of musical items and recitations, and an address was given by Rev. J. H. McQuinn, the pastor.

Confirmation service was held at St. Clement's Church, Eglington, yesterday afternoon by the Bishop of Toronto. A short service was held at the hands of Rev. E. A. Pearson at the Jarvisville Methodist Church last evening.

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