# Queen Regent

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The pop of Spanish muskets was heard suddenly, and the splash of bullets came from the sea and around the vessels. The Wilmington at once chelled the hills that sheltered the Spanlards, using her six-inch guns. At the first Spanish shot the insurgents went into the bushes after the soldiers, and probably what were left took flight. for they were not heard from again. The Wilmington shelled a small Spanish fort in a near by plantation, driving eway its occupants. The tug Leyden et the time of the battle lay about 100 yards from the shore, engaged in transerring supplies. The landing party included Brigadier-General Acosta, a well known Cuban leader. The landing of the party with the arms was carried out as successfully as could have been desired. The insurgents seem to have part of the American fleet. entire control of the coast at the spot where the landing was made

THE BESIEGED ISLAND. Key West, Fla., May 6.—News has cannot be ached here of the arrival at Hamman reached here of the arrival at Havana of the British cruiser Talbot, to take off British subjects who desire to leave the city. The Talbot was "held up" by the blockading vessels, but finally asked permission of the flagship to go in, which Rear Admiral Sampson readfly granted. The British had not heard A Terrible the news of the Manila victory, and when they learned of it they heartily congratulated Admiral Sampson and the other officers of the fleet.

Further information from the bebesieged island is that Gen. Blanco is urging the provincial authorities in every locality to stir up the patriotism of the people, which is said to be rapidly waning under the influences of hunger and disease.

Capt. Lyons, of the gunboat Dolphin, which has been cruising for eleven days along the western coast of Cuba, says there is, great activity on shore throughout that section, and especially in Bahia Honda. Groups of Spaniards can be seen working on improvised fortifications of all kinds. Earthworks have been thrown up all along the coast, and apparent preparations against invasion are being made. During her cruise the Dolphin held up eighteen vessels, all of which were released except the Spanish fishing schooner Lolo, which was sent here the other day.

A dispatch to the Chroncle from troops are concentrating in the seaports of Cuba, and have abandoned the interior to the insurgents.

SUPPLIES FOR INSURGENTS. New York, May 6 .- Military supplies marked "R. Rodriguez, Mobile, Ala." The supplies consisted of 5,000 Springfield rifles, 100,000 cartridges, 200,000 revolver cartridges and 100 dozen machetes. There were, besides, several cases containing saddles, bridles and halters, and other cases, labeled ma-

Washington, May 6 .- Just before adfournment the senate passed an important war measure, authorizing the president and general officers of the army to supply the Cuban insurgents with arms and munitions of war, and empowering officers of the army serving in Cuba to supply the needy inhabitants of the island with medicines

SALISBURY'S SIGNIFICANT SPEECH.

Washington, D. C., May 6.-At the several foreign headquarters the speech of Lord Salisbury before the Primrose plied by firing a volley. One rioter Club was regarded as deeply significant in that it was the first expression from a high official source clearly indicating the sympathy of the British ministry in the present course of the United States. In British quarters Lord Salisbury's speech is received with satisfaction as another evidence of the cordiality between the United States and Great Britain. At greatest positiveness that this friendly feeling has at no time taken official form, in the way of an understanding of any kind. It is regarded as none the less helpful, however, in leading toward fuller co-operation and sympathy between the English-speaking people on both sides of the water. The Paris report that the United States "has promised to capture the Canary Islands and cede them to Great Britein," received a specific denial. WON'T TELL WHERE THE CAPE

VERDE FLEET IS. Madrid, May 6 .- Senore Romero Robledo asked in the Spanish Cortes the bay, Admiral Montijo returned to said to be still critical. Cavite, "thus becoming a simple target Admiral Bermejo, minister of mar-

ine, replied that Admiral Montijo acted entirely at his own discretion, no tention of asking the bundesrath to instructions having been sent him. a question as to the whereabouts of crican ports were exaggerated, assertthe Cape Verde squadron. Senor Gullon, minister of foreign affairs, vigorously defended the govern-

AUSTRIA WON'T MEDDLE. London, May 6 .- A dispatch from Vienna says: Although the position of the queen regent of Spain grows daily more difficult, no step can be taken by the Austrian cabinet in the matter, no withstanding the deep and wide sympathies felt in high quarters here. At is stated at the foreign office that separate and isolated action on the part of Austria must be carefully avoided. Any attempt at rendering assistance to the queen-regent might be easily misinterpreted, and besides meeting with the strongest oposition from those who side with the Americans, could not fail to give rise to misunder- ping a lot of pigs today-3 carloads standings in many quarters. If Austria takes any part at all with regard 500 in all. The average price is \$4 60.

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to the conflict it will be only to take part in unted action by European cab-inets, and then only, if Spain herself seeks the intervention of the powers.

Via Formosa. NEWS OF DEWEY'S VICTORY AT MANILA VERIFIED.

London, May 6 .- A special dispatch dated from Shanghai and published to-day, purports to give Japanese reports of the fighting at Manila, received via

the Island of Formosa. It says that after disposing of the Spanish fleet at Cavite. Commodore Dewey bombarded Manila itself. The city was soon on fire in many parts, the work chiefly of the insurgents. Great loss of life is reported to have occurred among the Spanish residents of the city.

WAR NOTES. The British steamer Lucilene has arrived at Philadelphia today from Havana, having on board 112 Cuban refugees. The Lucilene left Havana April 25, being the last boat to leave Havana harbor after the port was blockaded by United States warships.

A Kingston, Jamaica, special says four warships have been sighted off Porto de Banes, Cuba, supposed to be

Guinea.

Interesting Speech by the Chinese Minister in London,

CANNIBALISM.

Brisbane, Queensland, May 6.- A terrible story of cannibalism is reported from New Guinea. Fourteen escaped prisoners from Manamana attacked a friendly village, killing and eating

CHINA'S ONLY CHANCE. London, May 6.-Among the guests at the dinner last night of the Article Club was Lo Feng Loh, the Chinese minister, who made an interesting ANNEXING NEWFOL speech. He said that the only way China could survive in competition with the world was by combining with Kingston, Jamaica, says that in anticiGreat Britain, to whom she offered a land with a view to the entry of the free field for her commerce. China colony into federation. hitherto had been the most exclusive country in the world, acting on the principle of excluding outsiders. This was now the principle of only the common people. The educated classes were prepared to welcome British trade, and for the Cuban insurgents from the desired that the friendship of the two New York arsenal were piled on the countries be consolidated on the widest wharf at Governor's Island, ready for basis, socially, politically, commercially and economically. He referred to the general commanding the militia, the opening of the Chinese waterways and sum of \$2,000 may be allowed for exthe impending construction of railroads, and said he hoped that every obstacle to the expansion of British trade in China would soon be removed.

MR. GLADSTONE. Hawarden, May 6.-Mr. Gladstone continues to enjoy good sleep. He is not suffering pain, but is weak.

CABLE NOTES. Henry Howard, Earl of Effingham,

descendant of the famous Lord Howard, who commanded the English fleet that destroyed the Spanish Armada in 1588, is dead. He was born on Feb. 7,

During a bread riot at Piacenza, and stoned the troops sent to protect

A dispatch from Rosario says the British steamer Lord Kelvin (Capt. Steele) is aground here, and attempts to float her have so far been unsuc- he would receive any portion of it. The cessful. The Lord Kelvin arrived at change was not suggested by Gen. Buenos Ayres on March 23, from Barry, and is of 2,232 tons burden.

The French cabinet yesterday, on the recommendation of the council of the same time it is stated with the agriculture, approved the suppression of the duties on wheat at French ports until July 1. From that time forward a duty of 7 francs will be imposed without abatement. The suppression of the wheat duties commences today. Ex-Queen Isabella refuses to receive olitical visitors. She has gone into ourning for the Spanish sailors killed

The extraordinary official announcement was made today that Prince Koung, the president of the foreign office, Pekin, who was reported to have expired on Monday last, is alive. It seems that he lapsed into unconsciousness, and that the Chinese doctors pronounced him to be dead, but the prince yesterday why, after issuing from the has since awakened. He condition is In the German Reichstag, Baron Von

Thielmann, secretary of the imperial treasury, replying to an interpellation, declared the government had no insuspend the duties on grain. He added Admiral Bermejo declined to answer that the fears of a blockade of Amed that there was ro likelihood of such a blockade, and concluded with the remark that in any case the Canadian route would remain open.

GOLD NEAR SUDBURY. Toronto, May 6.-It is said that placer gold has been discovered in the

Guelph, May 4.- The monthly cattle fair was held today. There were not many good animals offered, but there were quite a few brought in for delivery. The prices ranged from 3c to 4c for butchers' cattle, and cows ran from \$25 to \$40. Mr. R. Barber is shipfrom Guelph, and 2 from Fergus, about

A Violent Attack on Major-General Gascoigne,

Who Had Deprived Sir Charles' Son-in-Law of a Job.

Calls Him Hard Names—The Premier's Sharp Retort-Fishing Cruisers Armed With Gatlings.

Ottawa, May 6.-Violence of language when Sir Charles Tupper has the floor is so common that the house usually efuses to allow itself any other manifestation than one of tolerant amusement, but it was startled yesterday when the aged baronet launched a tirade of abuse at the head of Major-General Gascoigne, who has resigned his position as the officer commanding the Canadian militia. The prime minister deplored this attack upon a British officer, and attributed it to a desire on the part of Sir Charles to indulge a personal spite. The allusion had reference to the fact that upon the recommendation of Major-General Gascoigne, Major Cameron, the son-in-law of Sir Charles Tupper, was removed from the post of commandant of the Story From New Royal Military College at Kingston. A MARE'S NEST.

Mr. McDougall (Conservative, Cape Breton) asked his question regarding Sir Charles Russell's letter to Cardinal Rampolla, in which he said he had returned to Rome "at the urgent request of Catholic members of the Government and Parliament of Canada. in connection with the school question. Sir Wilfrid Laurier replied: government never had any knowledge of this letter, and does not know of its existence or its genuineness." BAGOT ELECTION.

The prime minister, in reply to Sir Charles Tupper, promised to announce on Monday when the writ would be issued for Bagot. PREFERENTIAL TRADE.

May 18 was fixed for the debate on Mr. McNeil's resolution in favor of im-ANNEXING NEWFOUNDLAND.

Dr. Roddick (Conservative, Montreal) inquired if the government intended The premier replied that it was a matter of some moment, and he asked that regular notice be given of the question.

MILITARY SALARIES. The house went into committee on the resolution providing that in addition to \$4,000, the salary for the majo

Dr. Borden said this proposition was the outcome of correspondence with the Imperial Government. The authorities in England had pointed out that a salary of \$4,000, with no allowances, to an imperial officer in Canada was inadequate, and compared unfavorably with the pay and allowances of commanding officers in the other colnoies. The officer in Victoria received £1,400 sterling, with only 6,000 troops under his command. The commander of the colonial force in New South Wales received £1,250,, and in Queensland £1,200, with about one-seventh or one-eighth the number of troops Italy, on Monday, the mob threatened to attack the prefecture and town hall, under his command of that in Canada. general, £1,240, and a lieutenant-colonel over £1,000 sterling.

Sir Charles Tupper asked if Gen. Gascoigne would receive any portion of the proposed increase. Dr. Borden replied that as Gen. Gascoigne had resigned, it was not likely

Gascoigne. TUPPER'S ATTACK.

Sir Charles Tupper said he would give this resolution his most strenuous opposition if Gen. Gascoigne was to receive a single dollar of the increase; but he would give it his most hearty support if it were to apply to his successor. If it were necessary to vote a larger amount to get rid of Gen. Gascoigne he would cheerfully agree to vote for it. Never in his experience had any officer disgraced the position of commandant of the Canadian forces as had the present officer. Gen. Gascoigne's actions had repeatedly brought the government and the department into contempt. Not only had Gen. Gascoigne involved himself in a most discreditable conflict with the militia at Halifax, but he had had to suffer great humiliation by his conduct in regard to Col. Strathy. He trusted we should never have in Canada another officer commanding the militia who had degraded the position so much as Gen. Gascoigne.

THE PREMIER'S REPLY. Sir Wilfrid Laurier in reply to this flerce attack said: "The committee have heard the language of Sir Charles Tupper with astonishment and regret. There was no reason for exhibiting the temper shown by the honorable gentleman, and I think, moreover, that it was quite unworthy of him to use such language as he has used towards a British officer. Major-General Gascoigne is wearing the uniform of the British army, and that fact should have been bed of the Vermillion River, near Sud-bury, Ont., a few miles east of the done, of this officer. I cannot refrain from thinking that he was indulging a personal spite when he spoke as he did. Of course he may not have studied all our views, but when a man discharges his duty to the best of his ability and. tries to serve the public to the best of his light, even if he were guilty of indiscretion there would be no reason to impute motives or use such insulting language as has been used of this Brit-

Sir Wilfrid would not agree to any roposal that the resolution should be assed on the understanding that none f the money should go to Major-Gen-

Col. Tisdale and Sir A. P. Caron supported the resolution. Col. Hughes thought if there had been friction in the past it was not altogether due to the officers who had een sent to Canada. The minister of militia said he had found Gen. Gascoigne well qualified to perform the duties of commanding officer. His resignation was entirely due

to personal reasons of his own. With reference to the case of Col. Strathy, he (the minister) could not but conclude that that officer had adopted what was certainly an unsoldier-like course. The Halifax dispute had been settled satis-

Sir Charles Tupper renewed his attack on Gen. Gascoigne. He said he had every reason to know that the minister had found in Gen. Gascoigne inister had found in Gen. Gascoigne most complacent officer. Hence he was not surprised to hear Dr. Borden

satisfaction that the country was so soon to be rid of an officer who had been the most signal failure of any officer ever sent to Canada. Mr. Wallace said that Gen. Gascoigne should have set an example to his

subordinates and not rushed into print in the Strathy matter. The imperial officers sent out did not realize the difference between the English militia and our own volunteers. Canada was training up many able officers. Why not give one of them a chance? Col. Hughes opposed the appointment a commander trained only in the Canadian service. There were immense possibilities in the British army for Canadians, and there was no reason why a Canadian officer should not be a field marshal in the British service

The resolution was reported and the house then went into committee of

ARMED WITH GATLINGS. Sir Louis Davies, in reply to Mr. Clarke, said the fishery cruisers had been armed with Gatling guns, simply because it was desirable to get rid the obsolete armament. They would serve as a deterrent to lawlessness. Answering further questions, the minister said it had been decided to establish a training ship for youths, who would be given a course in seamanship and trained for service upon the fishery and revenue cutters of A full statement would be Canada. made later. Steady progress was made in ap-

propriation for the marine and fisheries department, and the house adjourned

LADY HENRY SOMERSET IN-DORSED.

Ottawa, Ont., May 6.—The Dominion executive of the W. C. T. U. has almost unanimously decided to stand by Lady Henry Somerset. A resolution has been passed indorsing her posiaion. Mrs. (Dr.) Youmans, of Winnipeg, led the opposition to Lady Henry Somerset.

William Yule, of Palmerston, inspector of bridges for the northern branch of the G. T. R., has been ransferred to Stratford to succeed J. O. Sanderson, who has gone to St. Thomas, as inspector of roads and bridges on the Wabash system. Yule's district is now between Stratford and Sarnia.





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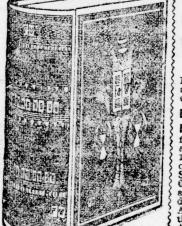
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