THE ROYAL COMMISSION.

An axiom of British law is this: "Never treat an unjust claim with contempt." The reason is that silence gives consent and that such a claim may be made good upon whom can the charge of "schemupon the person who thus treats it. In the editorial article published in the Times on May 17th, reference is made to accusations that the government have been guilty of disposing of crown lands in an improper manner. The government manner than the Times, Mr. Helmcken have ignored that accusation in drawing and others have construed them baffles up the royal commission, and have confined the scope of the enquiry to a point drawn from the premises laid down by upon which the evidence might be ex- Mr. Hunter was the only one, which we pected to be conflicting, and therefore | may demonstrate thus: nugatory. Was this the inducement to (1.) A loan bill brought in by the gov pitch upon the smaller accusation and ernment; (2.) government solely responpass over the greater? Do the govern-sible for said bill; (3.) government supment, then, admit that there is "some- porter, criticizing bill adversely, dething" in the statement made by the clares: "from all I have learned * Times' informant regarding the crown this (loan bill) is an organized attempt lands? If not, why do they ignore it? to plunder," etc.; (4.) Times, quoting In the official notice in the Gazette it is government supporter charges governdistinctly stated that the enquiry is for ment, on authority of government supthe purpose of investigating certain al- porter, with the alleged "scheming" legations of maladministration in the and "plundering"; (5.) no other person Lands and Works department, not an or persons mentioned in connection with allegation. Mr. Justice Walkem yester- the bill merely a government, a loan day said he wished to sift the whole mat fall, a charge of plundering; as a bill, the evidence admitted it was understood scheme or organize erophunder, it must under and tell, them to hold that all the charges not one only, were be the government that is meant in the ord to be examined into. But, although Mrs charges all bus meant in the ord the PROVINCIAL Justice Walkem allowed the one witness yesterday the utmost latitude, the terms is he backing down, as an elegant It is now alleged that there is no deficit of the commission, it now appears, bind contemporary prhases it, or what does in British Columbia finances. One alleged the confidence the power to look into the grown lands affair words the only construction that could be author of that statement must have in of course, must carry out the terms of has some other meaning he wishes to called upon to prepare for still heavier But the action of the government in singling out this one charge is remarkable of such an enquiry as the first day's proceedings seemed to indicate would be carried on?

RIDING TO RUIN.

That British Columbia taxpayer who can feel cool and calm when confronted by the appalling fact that an additional deficit of half a million dollars must be reckoned against this province owing to the Turner government's inconceivable recklessness and extravagance must be cold-blooded indeed. No words can bescribe the astonishment of the house, government supporters as well as oppositionists, last night when the truth dawned upon them. Their amazement was simply inexpressible for a time, but when they did begin to speak hot, bitter and angry were the criticisms levelled at the ministry for this crime. Even the government supporters could not for very half a million pounds sterling over one land half a million sterling surplus; British Columbia twelve hundred thousand dollars deficit. By all means let the ratepayers go carefully through the estimates as published in the Times to-day and see for themselves how their money Face to face with such a specimen of the Turner government's handiwork; speak of the average traveller. What, contemplating this staggering bit of financial hocus-pocus, the British Columbia taxpayer may well declare that it is high time for a change. If this sort of thing be not stopped at once the province will be ruined; even its great resources cannot long stand this Tammany financing. If Brifish Columbians, however, do not mind the Turner government experimenting in finance at the expense of the province, each of their blunders entailing heavy burdens on those who are let the Turner government go on squandering the cash with the reckless abandon of a drunken man. But if reasonable economy, careful financing, prudence and business-like methods are desired by the people, then they must get rid of the Turner ministry at the earliest possible opportunity. "The government, it will be noted, intend to find in the new loan bill the means of making good the calls of the supplementary estimates. Cutting from the sleeve to patch the

It is time for a change MR HUNTERS MEANING.

Mr. Joseph Hunter, M.P.P. for mox, rose to a question of privilege last night to say that the meaning placed upon his words by the Times in a leader headed "Plunder?" was not the correct one. The Times must then have, fallen into the same error as Legislator, Helmcken and a very large number of other close students of legislative loratory, but for the sake of clearness we shall quote from the chief organ of the government what purports to be a report, verbatim, first person, of Mr. Huntter's remark with which we are here specifically concerned:

"I have a perfect recollection of what I did say," went on Mr. Hunter, (re-plying to Mr. Helmcken's charge), "and it was from all I had seen ground me in the last few months I had not be up my mind that this (loan bill) is an organized, scheme to punder the province of a million dollars. I can sustain that position, on any platform, and I can prove my

Now, will Mr. Hunter, if he has any could put any other construction on such language than the Times and Mr. Hel-

plunder the province of a million dollars" and the subject of his remarks is a loan bill brought in by the government, ing" and "plundering" be laid but upon the government? By what process of logic or reasoning Mr. Hanter could found a hope or expectation that his remarks would be construed in any other

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ter to the bottom; and by the nature of being a dead and neutral, thing cannot,

Is Mr. Hunter juggling with terms, bu him to one point only, leaving him no he mean? The Times put upon his most envies the splendid confidence the or any other matter touched upon in the put upon them, but that evidently does the credulity of the people, already cryarticle in question. Mr. Justice Walkem, not suit the member for Comox, who ing out against the load of taxation, and the commission, weither more nor less. convey. It is a piry he can rates next year. However, it is one

he does mean, and not shuffle and and quite another to prove it; and that and cannot be satisfactory to the public, talk parables in this undignified fashion. the writer of the pleasant fiction aforewho looked for a full enquiry into all the If he does not mean the government, to charges. Are the government afraid whom then does he refer. He did not then, there is a deficit, and a big one, condescend to say who the plunderers over one million dollars, and to meet were in his question of privilege last this liability the taxes are to be increased night. It is now proper that Mr. Hunter should declare without more quirking who is or are meant by these strong and

"From all I have seen around me in he last few months, I have made up my mind that this is an organize scheme to plunder the province of a mil ion dollars'

neaning or retract his extraordinary charge, unless he wishes it to be branded as a piece of contemptible ante-elec-

Mr. Hunter should make clear his

MORE COMPANY-MONGERING. Mr. J. Morris Catton, chairman the Klondike companies with which Messrs. Turner and Pooley are "uniquely connected," replied to the toast of "Our Guest," at a banquet in shame attempt to condone the offence his honor in the Hotel Cecil, London, or palliate the damning facts of wild, ir- England, on the evening of April 28th. responsible spending, this reckless foss- Mr. H. D. Evans, the chairman, in proing away of the provincial funds by the posing the toast said "the company felt chandful, shown by this deficit. The it would not be the fault of Mr. Catton other day we quoted approvingly the and his co-directors if they did not besplendid achievement of New Zealand, come the Chartered Company of Britwhich is able to boast of a surplus of ish Columbia." (Good Lord in mercy deliver us-is that what they are after? year's estimates. The contrast is re- Mr. Catton said many things in his Mr. Catton said many things in his speech that were most misleading, and for a man who claims to have just gone be impossible to hit off the situation here in consequence of the speeches of Mr. better than that. Let it not be forgot. Chamberlain and Lord Salisbury, is markable, hay, appalling. New Zea- speech that were most misleading, and has caused a chronic deficit." It would straight from the Klondike to London, from London." Skagway, Dyea, Juis flung about like so much dirt. Take have been waiting to get in to the Klon- firmly upon its feet. Don't "enthuse" the second item in the tabulated list as dike for months. Victoria is, computing don't believe there is no deficit; face the a sample; "Court house, Victoria, fire roughly, from fifteen to seventeen days facts and count the cost. It is time for proof room for land, registry office, from London; it has been done in twelve, a change. \$7,000." Why, in the name of common but we speak of averages. The trip sense and common honesty, was not that | from Victoria or Vancouver to the Alasfire-proof room built in when the court kan ports is fully four days, not to menhouse was erected? It could have been tion time lost in making connections. done then at probably less than half this The trip in to Dawson is, certainly, uncost. But each reader will light upon der the best conditions, an affair of not items of special interest-to his pocket. less than a month or six weeks; under recent conditions probably more. We

> don? Mr. Catton next said: "At Victoria on some days the rush was so great for miners' heenses that the fees paid yielded at the rate of £20 a minute, and the licenses cost £10 each."

then, does Mr. Catton mean by telling

London people that Klondike is not

more than twenty-eight days from Lon-

(nor often enough) in "polite" society,

Every thought, B 000 takes vitality from the blood; every nerve, muscle. bone, organ and tissue depends on the blood for its quality and condition.

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tizer, stomach tonic and regulator.

on any platform, and I can prove my words."

Now, will Mr. Hunter, if he has any regard for fair play, say how any person Lowell, Mass. Get Hood's and only Hood's. Hood's Pills taken after dinner aid digestion.

talks about an organized scheme to that men going to the Yukon were not there were not "almost insuperable;" that 40 degrees below zero there would not be felt any more than 3 or 4 below freezing in London; that no more clothing was needed in Klondike in winter than in London; and that work come ne advantageous y and profitably carried on all the year round. Now, every one of these statements is in direct contradiction to those published again and again in the coast papers and brought down by every boat from the north. Another statement of Mr. Catton in this remarkable speech will perhaps clinch the opinion that certain Klondike company-directors will stick at nothing to further their ends; it is that:

"In one day £10,000 (\$50,000) worth of gold was picked up by two men in the crevices of one of the creeks.'

"Picked up" is awfully good. The people who believe such yarns are fools and deserve to be plucked. Messrs, Turner and Pooley, who must know better, should issue most emphatic contradictions to those untruthful and misleading statements. But perhaps the London board would only laugh at them and tell them to hold their peace until

THE PROVINCIAL DEFICIT.

not speak out and say what thing to make a statement of that kind mentioned has by no means done. Flatly, during the coming year. It really looks as though the Turner ministry, convinced at last that they are fighting their wife who uses them. The results may b last battle in the political arena, have made up their minds to so entangle the bad temper, and a shower of wrath on finances that the genius of a Peel or a the dealer who has sold the deceptive Gladstore will be required to unravel dyes. them. "Making it interesting" for their successors, so to speak. There has been a great deal of juggling with the word deficit; a pure Latin word, the present indicative of deficere, meaning a deficiency or falling short in amount or quality. It means specifically a deficiency in taxes or revenue. British Columbia has no deficit in taxes, but ample in revenue, as things are going. Carlyle must have had British Columbia in his prophetic soul when he wrote this home dyeing, you have now presented to sentence in his history of the French revolution: "Squandering and payment cess, profit, and unruffled temper and by loan is no way to check a deficit." But this is what is going on in this province to-day. Herbert Spencer also has a sentence in his "Study of Sociology" that hits the nail on the head beautifully, so far as British Columbia is concerned at the present time: fuse expenditure demanding niore than can be got from crippled industry, most serious allegations indeed. He said ten that the people who declare there is hard to describe, says a Madrid cor-"Klondike was only twenty-eight days no deficit are those who call upon the taxpayers of the province to 'lenthuse' neau and Wrangel are full of men who as a means towards putting the province

THE HOSTILE MAINLAND.

From the Rosslander of the 10th inst. it appears that the impossibility of running a government candidate in that section is recognized even by the gover ment. The subterfuge of independence will be tried there, as in the case of New Westminster, but it will not do for a community still smarting under the injustice perpetrated by the present administration. The fight will not even be exciting in the upper country, for the reason that public opinion is solid on one point it is time for a change. How the Turner government or their support-There is an ancient Anglo-Saxon word ers can expect anything else on the of three letters that is not used much Mainland is not easy to see. Of course, the heat and anger caused by the several which alone properly describes the fore- recent acts of that government, peculiarto come after, then it might be as well to going statements. No such sum as £20 ly affecting the upper country, have, to a a minute was ever taken in for licenses, great extent, passed away, but have only even on the brsinest day, at the custom left deeper and stronger the feeling of house; mining licenses are not £10, but determination to do nothing to help to ten dollars. The blunder of putting the keep in office a government canable of sterling mark for the dollar mark in such acts, but everything to sweep it such an important matter is inexcusable out of power. If any one doubts the in a paper like the British Columbia existence of that feeling a perusal of the Review, of London, from which we upper country newspapers that have not quote. Mr. Catton begged to assure his taken the gold cure will quickly dissipate that doubt. It is a long time since all sections of the inland community were so firmly united on any point. Business men and working men are thoroughly at one on the matter, and they are only waiting for the election to show by their votes how heartily they disapprove of the Turner government's policy. The Rosslander's dictum may be taken as a true index of the state of feeling not only in and around Rossland, but all over the interior constituencies. The government dare not put up a candidate in those sections.

The potent power of government pap is again in evidence. The Chilliwack Progress is the latest publication to abandon the cause of the people and come out in favor of the administration. The editor says he had changed his flag because of the "strong personality of Premier Turner." Whoever before heard of Mr. Turner referred to as "strong"? He is decidedly the weakest man in the government. A bad excuse is better than none, and the Progress is now a fully developed government organ. The Chilliwack paper should change its name. Here is a partial list of the newspapers that have taken the government gold cure since the year began: Wellington Enterprise, Revelstoke Herald, Kaslo Kootenaian, Rossland Record, Nelson

mcken, et al., put upon it? When a man hearers (very gullible people, surely), Miner, Kamloops Standard, New Westminster Sun. The list is growing. No going to anything like the Arctic re- wonder there is a deficit of \$1,200,000 to gions; that the difficulties in getting be faced by the country. The gold cure comes high; but reptile journalism must be supported.

> Mr. Henderson, who was nominated for the local house at New Westminster city few days ago, was classed by the government organs as a government candidate. He has made haste to inform the electorate that he is an independent, without the slightest affinity for the Turner government; and the organs have been forced to admit their error. A government must be indeed weak when it cannot put up a standard-bearer in a district with any hope of success. .

HUMOR IN NORTH YALE.

To the Editor:—The Kamloops clown, the editor of the Kamloops Standard, is getting funnier every week. Under the heading, "Rumors and Reports," he says: "Neither "Rumors and Reports," he says; "Neither Mr. Turner nor any other member of the government have (sic) the least fear of losing their seats, but, so well are they thought of that they have all been asked to contest more than one seat." Isn't that a funny joke? A new one too. The K. C. criginated it, but he has another and better one: "The satisfaction in Victoria with the way the Chief Commissioner has handled his office is so great that should he cafe to run there he could easily get in." The R. his office is so great that should he cafe to run there he could easily get in." The K. C. ought to be on Punch's staff; or he might run a Punch and Judy show with Hon. Mr. Martin as manager. Note, too, the elegant style of composition. I think Mr. Martin will have to run to victoria or some other place, for we don't want him in North Yale. We are going to elect Deane, and Martin can funto victoria and get a job (if he can) from his friends in get a job (if he can) from his friends in Chinatown. In the meantime the K. C.

may publish some more bon mots.

NOUTH BRANCH.

Kamloops, May 13th, 1898.

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SPAIN WRATHY AT BRITAIN. New York, May 17.-The burst

respondent.
Every Spaniard, from the highest to the lowest, is quite as exasperated against Britain now as he is against the Yankees. Britain is denounced a mean, selfish, base and unscrupulous. denounced as seems not to have occurred to the Spaniards that the British ministers have some loftier, further sighted deeper designs in European and Asiatie questions than paltry tions of territory for coaling stations in the Philippines, the Canaries and the Balearics. These are supposed to be the only real objects of British statesmen.

HOT AFTER SPAIN'S FLEET. New York, May 17 .- A special from Washington says:
Spain's fleet in the Carribean

is to be met by a squadron consisting of armor clads of the United States in North American waters. Preparations are being made to effect a junction of Rear Admiral Sampson's fleet and the flying squadron with all possible dis-



story of Romeo peated every day with the excep-tion that Juliet does not die by poison. She dies because of her own neglect ignorance. Neglectfulnes woman's peculiar sickness. Neg lect of the mino troubles causes

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serious complications. the burning, dragging ache, the debilitating drains that mark the progress of feminine diseases, are passed lightly over or are borne in ignorance of their cause. continuance means death or insanity. This is all unnecessary. So-called female weakness can be cured. It can be cured quickly. of the home without the humiliating loca treatment so universally insisted upon by physicians. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription does this and more of It acts directly or the delicate organs concerned and makes them strong and healthy. It banishes the usual discomforts of the expectant period and makes baby's coming easy and almost painless. It tones and strengthens the nerves. At all medicine stores.

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Chamberlain's Anglo-American Pronouncemen. - comment of European Papers.

French Provocacion in west Airica Sufficient Cause for War-Alarmise Opinions.

New York, May 10.-A dispatch from London says:

The Sunday papers are curiously silent on Mr. Chamberia... s remarable pronouncement in favor of an Angio-intercan albance. The Observer, the most influential political daily, however, aplauds air. Chamberlan's declaration on hat point, while reserring the accomdisnaient of his ideal to some remote of tingency which has not yet arisen. The

Observer says:
"It is well understood in the United States that European intervention is not even discussed by the powers just now, because England will not tolerate it. Inc real crux will come when the terms of peace are drafted. Then, if ever, the Goldenowski hinted not long ago, will hit its head. We doubt the substance of any such apparition, because the coercion of America is too big a business for practical politics, but the day that watnesses any serious combination against either the United States or Great Britain ought cruits, about 17,000 strong, is expected also to witness their consolidation into in a day or two. The recrui

an Anglo-American alliance."
The World's correspondent had a tonversation with one of Mr. Chamberlain's they will be sent to Fort M. most trusted followers, to whom Mr. Chamberlain had several weeks since opened his mind on the subject of an Apglo-American understanding, as well as the general foreign policy of Great Britain. This politician stated that:

"Chamberlain has been for the past year convinced that Salisbury's foreign policy is steadily and inevitably leading to the ruin of England's commercial supremacy, and he is convinced that it is vital to the continued commercial expansion both of England and the United States that they should make common cause against European combinations.

"Besides that, he entertains a strong view that the French provocation in West Africa should be accepted by Salis-bury as a casus belli. England's subury as a casus belli. England's su-premacy on the sea would enable her, in is view, to seriously cripple, if not to destroy French naval expansion for years, and he regards it as England's most imperative interest to weaken France so that Russia alone would have o be dealt with in the far east. "England's interests and those of America are identical in that region, and

Chamberlain regards their action as the first step towards a realiza tion of the Anglo-Saxon alliance. That is the underlying motive of his speech, although it was made under circum stances which give it the appearance of an attempt to oust Lord Salisbury from the foreign office. The Daily Mail's Berlin despatch says

that Chamberlain's Birmingham speech is characterized by the German press in general as undiplomatic, acknowledging England's weakness in the face of Russia and an undignified bid for America's

The government evidently is reserving its opinion. The semi-official papers content themselves with expressing astonishalv. and says it would speech has not been delivered.

The Kolniche Zeitung alone described the colonial minister's speech as a model. of modern political eloquence, and con gratulates the orator on being a practical the British nation with Bickarnian blunt-

The National Zeitung says the speech was nothing less than an acknowledgment of bankruptcy, not only of England's policy hitherto, but of the British power and remarks that the British nation is hardly likely to identify it self with the colonial minister's utter The general impression is that England

will not be able to form an alliance with the United States, as the interests of the two nations are not identical in the east and America would not supply the military quota in the event of war with Russia. All the newspapers which allude to the

subject state that England will find no ally in Europe and Russia, least of all in Germany, which has no reason for quarreling with Russia's action in Germany. Prince Bismarck's organ, the Hamburger Nachrichten, remarks:
"It would be a deplorable error on the

part of Great Britain to imagine that any continental power entertains strange idea of entering the lists at this critical juncture on the side of En arrogance and to bolster up exclusively English interests." The Daily Mail's Paris dispatch says

the Temps, which saw in Chamberlain's speech only a bid for German alliance and a blow in the back to Salisbury, now discusses the chance of an approaching war and says Chamberlain wishes take revenge on the Niger for Port Arthur at the expense of France. The Debats merely called Chamberlain "Boulanger in mufti," who wishes to disintegrate the Conservative party. Now it indulges in wild talk about Chamber-lain having the project of suddenly falk-ing on the French fleet and destroying it, afterward dealing with Russia, which wuold then derive no benefit from French alliance. The effect of the speech

would be not only to make the French speculative on the chance of war, but to nulate a desire for alliances. The Matin says the speech has brought war between England and France within measurable lines. The Eclaire does not believe France is any climate is proven by "h

as the advance guard of future imperial-The Figare believes that the main object was to bustle France about the Niger question. It seeks consolation in the fact that it is not England, but simply Chamberlain, that menaces France and Russia.

The tone of the popular papers, Libre Parole and the rest, is terribly alarmist.
The Daily Mail's Vienna dispatch says:
Mr. Chamberlain's speech in Birmingham is dealt with at some length by the press here generally. The opinion is held that though it does not forecast imit augurs ill for peace mediate war. should Mr. Chamberlain ever become

THE PEKIN TO SAIL THURSDAY. Washington, May 16.-It is said at the of Pekin, with over 1,000 men on board, will leave San Francisco Thursday for the

SAMPSON AT CAPE HAYTIEN, Washington, May 16. Armiral Sampson has reported to the navy department from Cape Haytien and says he will now go to VICTORIA, B.C.

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PRISONERS OF WAR. Spaniards Kept in Close Confinement at

Atlanta, Ga., May 16.-The 20 Spanish officers and privates, prisoners a McPherson, are kept under c.ose It was expected that the officers we paroled, and, in fact, it was so mere, but officers, as well as the p are namer survivance. They need in the guard house and t exercise is secured in warking ness room for their meals. are served at a separate table, privates eat at a table with then -the negroes of the Twenty-n

ment. All their letters are submitted to a cotor in Atlanta, who reads them in the presence of Colonel Cook, commander at the post, before they are The Span ards have no interpreter their wants are made known by on the officers, who has a smatter English.

Colonel Cook expects his Spanish colonly to be augmented in a new units by the officers and crew of the Spanish bark Arta, now at Savannah. The Fifteenth infantry, Colonel Cook's regiment, which was recently almost dismembered and its companies scattered along the gulf coast, is being recruited rapidly and will soon have its plement of men. The post is in readiness for

centration of volunteers. tions for the comfort of a men are necessary, save the a water pipe to a distant plished in a few days. The advance guard of the

have already secured men. soon as they are eurolle The commissary departm department of the gulf is parations for the feeding number of men at the forts. quantities of supplies are alre and still more will be sent. in the two regiments of Georgia infan that will be a part of the volum

has been mustered in. The quota was more than filled, and over 100 men have been sent home from the dendezvous at Griffin.

General Graham, commander of the de partment of the gulf, who has been Vashington several days, returned to lanta yesterday. When asked about th report that he would be sen command of the forces there, he that such was the plan several days ago but this had been changed, and he did not know whether he would be sent there

Lieut. Samuel Reder, chief officer of the department of the gulf, who has been ordered to report to General Schafter at Tampa, left to-day.

Nearly 300 cars loaded with troops, horses and equipment passed through Atlanta last night, en route from Chicka mauga to Tampa. Three hundred Mis sissippi volunteers from Columbus, Miss. destined for the lower coast of Florida, spent a few hours in Atlanta, and pro ceeded south last night.

THREE SPANISH SPIES Suspected Men Arrested Prowling Around Fortifications.

New York, May 16 .- Locked up in the guard house at Sandy Hook are three men who were discovered prowling about the Hook in a small boat, and who wer captured by the sea patrol. could not give a satisfactory of their presence in the waters near the fortifications' and adjacent to the mine fields, and were therefore made prisoners and turned over to the authorities on

There have been so many interferen with the submarine mines in the bay that the patrol boats concluded to take no chances, and turned the prisoners over t the army officers in charge of to be dealt with as they ma see fit. The punishment that would low a conviction by court martial spying upon the fortifications in the erests of the enemy would be death Lieut. Hale, who has been designat by Major-General Merritt to give such information as is proper at Gove nor's Island, said that he had formation about the arrest or dete of three men at Sandy Hook. in communication with patrol boats refused to talk about the affair, further than to admit that three men had been taken from a boat and turned over the authorities at Sandy Hook. They

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declined to give the names of the men.

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New York, May 16 .- A Manila, dated May 12, b kong, May 15, says: The Spanish gunboat up the bay this morning. the southern islands, who stationed for the last 16 Her commander did no had been declared, and nothing on his way up of Manila. He steamed of Manna. He steamed vite, expecting to find the fleet anchored there. He arrived off Cavite the morning with the Spand signals for the adm The Olympia opened ish commander supposed for target practice and i of range, but continued and Raleigh joined th

and Ratein shots were throwing the Spanish vessel's deck, mander began to realiz joke, and pulled down low antiqued on, how He continued on, ho ing continued.
Finally he hove to wi his foremast and the out to intercept h Pou went aboard th small boat and the sit

ed to him.
Then he surrendered Callao was brought to flagship. She is a 280 tons, equipped with and carrying a crew was spick and span, miral's inspection on The American flag ed on the Callao and Admiral Dewey's fleet ful for river work.
Admiral Dewey's fle ed before Manila. He ture the place whenev are received from Wa

deems expedient. No hostile demo made since the battle though the Spanish citadel, a white flag ernor-general's palace, guns from Lunetta ha to the land approac guard it against the all the surrounding Admiral Dewey is his plans. He will guard Manila's water keep a keen watch on near by bays for any maining. He has
scatter throughout th
ture any city desired.
It is believed to be Manila, continuing to further orders. The inderstand there is bombardment, as lon

The electric lights ing again. Manil great scarcity of food the soldiers. The horses for food alre are allowed to land cation is established soon, there will be all classes.

There is no mail Manila. The town blockade. Communic tinues uninterrupted. maintained by the night and day to bility of an attack, pected. Guards are mainta prevent the plunde stores, which were abundance.

Picket boats circle night, watching for si boat seen is made searchlight, and if fired upon. Monday the Concor row boat off shore ounders. The boat

It is supposed to h

boat, lying in wait fo

who commands the Manila. He has go was surmised that lie in wait and cap attempt to return. Six warships of come into the bay five are here now been the Bruid, a cruiser belonging to protected cruiser the British first-cla mortalite and the the Japanese cruiser Naniwa. net has returned others are here vet The German cruis Tuesday night. T

Raleigh boarded he her nationality, and ceed to anchorage. None of them a the battle. The are greatly interes are making a car wrecks. They are the extent of the miral Dewey's ship casualties on the absence of fataliti American ships. Statistics of still meagre. The supposed. According to th

tainable so far, 3 wounded. The first list of was correct. Sma sels have been c Callao is the only Admiral Montej wounds are not se The official repo ting that our and that they abcard the Ameri Spanish colors. The Spaniards of from the shock. feat by saying to practice; that the

practice for the Besides, the Amin the morning. still in their paja They had had a shoot straight w When the Bosto