Can Capture It at Any Moment-A Strict Blockade Is Being Maintained-Rebels Hem In the Town.

Washington, May 16. - Dispatches news Sunday from Admiral Dewey to is slightly injured in the left leg, and sevthe president, and particularly to Sec- | eral others of the Winslow's crew, who are retary Long and the naval officials who | slightly wounded. are watching the admiral's movements with so much interest. The telegrams indicate that Dewey has lost none of the | gunboat Hudson were the only vessels enprestige gained in his memorable fight of two weeks ago, and that, while he boats which were known to be there refrains from taking the city of Ma- These latter, however, were not discovered hila, he has it practically at his mercy. The admiral expresses the belief that the rebels are hemming in the city by land, but the fact that he says explicitly and lasted for about an hour. that they have made no demonstration seems to disprove thoroughly the pubof bloodshed and rapine. The best evidence of the effectiveness of the blockade maintained by the American admiral and also of the work of the insurgents in surrounding the city shown in the statements in the dis- of fire and death pouring in upon the torpatches that provisions are scarce in the city of Manila, which seems to indicate to Admiral Dewey an early surrender by the Spanish authorities. The and knocked out her boiler. In an instant dispatch, as given out by Secretary she began to roll and drift helplessly. Long, is as follows:

Dewey's Dispatch.

"Cavite, May 13 .- Hong-King, May 16 .-Maintaining strict blockade. Reason to be- was opened up on the helpless boat lieve that the rebels are hemming in the stration. Scarcity provisions in Manila. Winslow. She ran alongside the torpedo Probable that the Spanish governor will be boat and tried to throw a line to the imobliged to surrender soon. Can take Ma- periled crew. nila any moment. Climate hot and moist.

FIVE OF OUR MEN SLAIN!

Spanish Batteries Disable Torpedo Boat Winslow in Battle Off Cardenns on Cuban Coast.

Key West, Fla., May 12.-When the United States gunboat Hudson came up to the government dock at eight o'clock Thursday morning, the bodies of five dead were lying on her afterdeck. They were the remains of Ensign F. Bagley and four members of the crew of the torpedo boat Winslow, who follows: were killed in an engagement in Cardenas harbor Wednesday afternoon. The bodies were covered by the Stars and Stripes. from Hong-Kong brought welcome John B. Bernadou, of the Winslow, who

The engagement ttok place inside the harbor of Cardenas. The gunboat Wilmington, the torpedo goat Winslow and the gaged. They entered the harbor for the purpose of attacking some Spanish gun-

by the American force until the Spaniards

opened fire. The land batteries of Cardenas

supported the fire of the Spanish gunboats. The engagement commenced at 2:05 p. m.

The Wilmington and the Hudson were ahead and opened fire on the Spanish boats which were lying at the docks. The firing lished reports that they had already began at a range of 3,500 yards. A few entered Manila and had begun a career | minutes later the Winslow came up and also opened fire. In an instant the entire attention of the Spanish gunboats and land batteries was directed upon her.

From all sides shot poured in on the little toppedo boat. The Wilmington and the Hudson still kept up their fire, but they could not turn aside the terrible storm

The crew of the Winslow, however, never faltered for a second. At 2:35 p. m. a solid shot crashed into the hull of the Winslow Then there was a moment of awful sus-

from the Spaniards on the gunboats and ministry, when the new cabinet in the batteries and again a storm of fire The gunboat Hudson, which was lying city by land, but have made no demon- near by, started to the assistance of the try.

## THE CORPS COMMANDERS.

Important General Order Issued from the War Department-The Major Generals.

Washington, May 17. - In a general order issued at the war department Monday afternoon the assignments to the different corps and other important commands are announced. They are as

Maj. Gen. Wesley Merritt, U. S. A., the department of the Pacific. Maj. Gen. John S. Brooke, U. S. A., the First corps and the department of the gulf. Maj. Gen. William M. Graham, U. S. volunteers, the Second corps, with headquarters at Falls Church, Va.

Maj. Gen. James F. Wade, U. S. volun teers, the Third corps, reporting to Maj. Gen. Brooke, Chickamauga.

Maj. Gen. John J. Coppinger, U. S. vol unteers, the Fourth corps, Mobile, Ala. Maj. Gen. William R. Shafter, U. S. volunteers, the Fifth corps, Tampa, Fla. Maj. Gen. Elwell S. Otis, U. S.-volunteens, to report to Maj. Gen. Merritt, U. S. A., for

Maj. Gen. James H. Wilson, U. S. volunteers, the Sixth corps, Chickamauga, reporting to Mai Gen. Brooke.

duty with troops in the department of the

Maj. Gen. Ffizhugh Lee, U. S. volunteers, the Seventh corps, Tampa, Fla. Maj. Gen. Joseph H. Wheeler, U. S. voluneers, the cavalry division, Tampa, Fla.

## WITHOUT A CABINET.

All Spanish Ministers Resign-It Is Alleged New Cabinet Will Continue to Prosecute the War.

Madrid, May 16, via Paris,-All the members of the Spanish cabinet have resigned. It is officially denied that the cabinet changes are connected with a peace movement. On the contrary, pense. A flerce cheer of triumph went up it is declared that Premier Sagasta's formed, will continue to prosecute the war with the full resources of the coun-

Madrid, May 17 .- Premier Sagasta on Monday presented to the queen regent Up to this time, with the exception of of Spain the resignations of the cabinet.

## ACTIVITY IS URGED.

Pressure Brought to Bear to Hasten the Cuban Campaign.

Plans for Invasion of the Island Ma; Be Resumed at Once-No Definite News of Either the American or Spanish Fleets.

Washington, May 18 .- Considerable pressure has come upon the administration from congressional quarters to have the campaign hastened, and there are thought to be signs of a resump tion of the plans of the military lead ers for the invasion of Cuba at the point where they were suddenly suspended by the announcement of the arrival of the Spanish flying squadron at Martinique. One sign of this was the inclusion in the regular army orders of a direction to Capt. Alger to go to Tampa to join Gen. Miles. At army headquarters there was no sign of immediate departure, but after all, in view of the fact that three times at least everything has been prepared for a movement to Tampa, it may be presumed that everything is in train for departure at short notice without open manifestation of preparations.

No News of the Fleets:

The official bulletin boards Tuesday failed to yield any news of the movements of either of the three fleets, its sixth annual convention in Peoria Sampson's, Schley's and the Spanish abandoned its name by which it has so flying squadron, and there is reason to long been known, to become the Allied believe that the department itself has | Printing Crafts union. The following received no information on that point. officers were elected: The department officials are beginnig | President, J. Maurice Farnham, Ottawa; to show a little sensitiveness to critithe Spanish flect into action, conscious as they are that they have made all of Peoria; Jones and Harris, of Chicago, dispatch compatible with due regard for the safety of our own ports, as well as of the lives of the crews of our wartent to say.

to pursue the Spaniards, so long as they | She was well known at Paxton. keep within the confines of the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean sea, but that Sampson and Schley, in combination, Atlantic, to the seaboard cities. By the sale of the same in its city. this plan the military and naval officials might hope to silence the rather severe criticisms that are being expressed because of delays in opening the military campaign in Cuba itself.

No Fear for Dewey. The department professes to feel no Apprehension that Admiral Dewey or his men are in any wise endangered by insane hospital at Watertown will be the present basis, but this cannot be May 16. said of the unfortunate inhabitants of | The town board has licensed five satracted unouly. It is no small matter | The town had been dry one year. to organize and transport an expedition across the sea at short notice, and the cancer of the jaw. indications are that within a week some of the soldiers at least will be on their way from San Francisco, following the Charleston, which is expected to leave at any moment with a few supplies most urgently needed by Admiral

Gen. Merritt's Suggestions Wise. There are indications that the war department has been brought to see the wisdom and fairness of the suggestions thrown out by Maj. Gen. Merritt troops, and many of them have either | not less than 15,000 men, and that at manent camps to which they have been soned troops from the regular army. number of troops would seem to be a senseless proceeding in view of the fact that there is no necessity for such a course. Gen. Merritt took occasion to found guilty in Marion of killing Isham deny very emphatically the accuracy of Price at Freedom church last July, the position of refusing to obey an or- younger an indefinite term at the reder to proceed to the Philippines be- form school. cause his force was insufficient. The Rev. Ira Emerson, a pioneer Methofficials at the department upon seeing odist preacher, died at his home in these publications did not hesitate to Buckhart township, at the age of 74 express at once their belief that Gen. | years. He was known as the marrying Merritt was too good a soldier to refuse preacher, having officiated at over 500 Washington, May 17. - Army officers to obey an order, although they ad- weddings in Christian county. mitted that he might have suggested, as he did Tuesday through Inspector the home of Mrs. Caroline A. Dubrock the soldiers to be assigned to his com-

The Volunteer Army.

Washington, May 18 .- The volunteer army is rapidly nearing completion. Reports received by Adjt. Gen. Corbin show that 92,580 men have been mus tered in. Eighteen states have completed their quota, as follows: California, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming, | crop than in 1897.

## ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

Prizes for Corn.

The state board of agriculture has decided to give prizes this year for the largest yield of corn per acre grown on Illinois soil. The ground upon which the corn is to be grown must be measured by the county surveyor in the township selected for the growth; the date of planting, variety planted and method of cultivation must be sworn to by the grower. Husking must not be done earlier that September 23, 1898, and a sample barrel of the corn grown must be shipped to D. W. Vittum, superintendent of farm products, Springfield. Applications for entry to this contest must be made to Secretary Garrard, of the board, before July 15.

Inheritance Tax Paid.

The first tax collected under the inheritance tax law in Menard county was paid into the county treasury in Petersburg by the executors of the late Elizabeth Barclay. At her death Miss Barclay bequeathed her entire estate to the board of home and foreign missions of the Cumberland Presbyterian church. The value of the estate was \$14,989.42, on which the inheritance tax was \$599.57, which amount, together with \$75,73 interest, a total of \$675.30, has been paid.

Printers Elect Officers.

The Illinois Typographical union at

vice president, William Schenck, Chicago: secretary-treasurer, John A. Onyum Pecism in the matter of delay in bringing Loria; delegates to the State Federation of Labor, Sneed, of Rock Island; Stevenson, and Cole, of Danville.

Illinois Missionary Killed.

Among the victims of the rage of the ships. Every day there is talk of a negroes in the revolution over the hut change in the naval plans brought tax at Sierra Leone, west Africa, was about by some movement of the Span- Miss Hatfield, of Decatur, sister of Rev. ish squadron, but what the latest phase | Z. T. Hatfield, Secretary of the central of campaign is nobody outside of the Illinois conference of the United Brethmembers of the war board is competen church. She was made a missionary in Decatur several years ago, hav-The general impression is that no ing fitted herself for the work by takparticular effort is to be made just now ing a course of medicine at Cincinnati.

Students Favor Temperance.

Monmouth students placed their colwill encircle the island of Cuba, main- lege on record as a temperance institutain the blockade, and convoy troops | tion, unanimously adopting resolutions across the Florida straits, if necessary, | condemning Yale college and pledging meanwhile simply keeping a watch on themselves to use their influence against the Spanish flying squadron, to see that the patronage of Yale or any other it does not do mischief either to the university or college allowing the sale American fleet, or, by escaping into the of liquor on its grounds or sanctioning

Told in a Few Lines.

Cash wheat sold for \$1.50 on the Chicago board of trade. This is the highest price paid for the cereal since the memorable corner of August and September, 1888.

Gov. Tanner announces that the new their occupation of Manila harbor on opened for the reception of patients

Manila if the present situation is pro- loons in Assumption at \$800 a year.

Augustus T. Fish, who was this spring of 12,000 or 13,000 soldiers 6,000 miles elected town collector, died in Elgin of The Brewers' association, of Chicago,

has advanced the price of beer to five dollars per barrel. William Hewitt, aged 41 years, com-

mitted suicide in Columbia. Owen Leyden and his cousin, William Foley, were fatally stabbed in a saloon

row in Chicago. The new Y. M. C. A. building in Galesburg has been thrown open to the pub-

Rev. Jacob Saylor, prominently identified with the early history of the Evangelical association as minister for many years, died in Naperville, at the age of

Jacob A. Bohrer, a prominent lawyer, and Miss Florence Fifer, both of Bloom ington, were married at the home of the parents of the bride, ex-Gov. and Mrs.

Joseph W. Fifer. The two Hampton brothers were certain newspaper interviews published and the elder brother was given eight Tuesday morning which placed him in years in the penitentiary and the

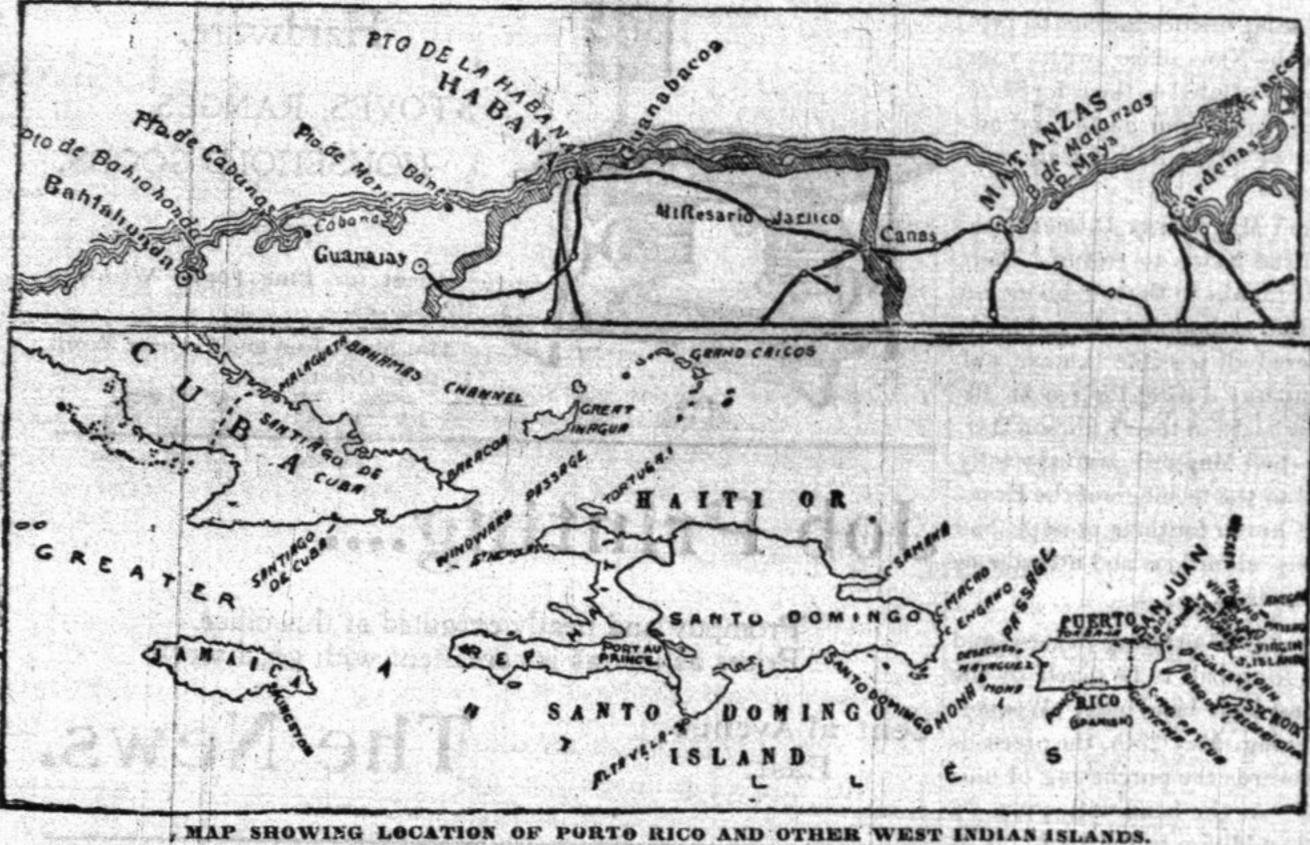
A double wedding was celebrated at General Hughes, a member of his staff, in Aurora. The parties were Mr. Robert J. McKay and Miss Elizabeth S. Duber and a betterment in the quality of brock, and Mr. James A. Holden and

Miss Mary E. Dubrock. The State national bank of Bloomington, with a capital stock of \$150,000,

is a new institution. The proposition to issue bonds to the amount of \$8,000 for the erection of a new schoolhouse in Winchester was carried by a good majority.

Reports from crop correspondents all Kingston, Jamaica, May 16. - The Maine, Maryland, Minnesota, Massachu- over the state received at the Illinois setts, New Hampshire, Ohio, Oregon, department of agriculture are much Pennsylvania, Vermont, Washington, more encouraging as regards the wheat

A PORTION OF THE NORTH COAST OF CUBA.



On May 12 captured gunboat Callao, at-"DEWEY."

Aid for the Admiral.

The officials are making all possible haste to rush troops to supplement Admiral Dewey's forces, so that if the son approached near enough to throw Spanish governor'does not surrender the former will not be dependent upon the small number of marines which he can illy spare from his ships, but will have the assistance of soldiers in holding his position and maintaining order.

Will Be Exchanged.

Key West, Fla!, May 17 .- Under a flag of truce the United States government tug Uncas visited Havana. Lieut. Brainard, U. S. N., and Mr. Knight, correspondent of the London Times, were on board. They went to negotiate the exchange of prisoners, there being two American newspaper correspondents, Charles Thrall and Hayden Jones, imprisoned in Fort Cabanas. Thrall and Jones are safe and being treated with every consideration. Capt. Gen. Blanco is willing to release them the moment the United States authorities send him two Spanish prisoners in exchange.

Japan Will Protest.

London, May 17.—A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from St. Petersburg but there were only three men left at that says: Japan intends to protest vigorously against America seizing the Philippines. She has already sought the assistance of Russia, and conferences are occurring between Count. Mura- low and took the most seriously wounded vieff, the Russian foreign minister, and the gunboat Machias died shortly afterthe Japanese ambassador, Baron Hayashi Tadasou. It is believed that France and Germany will support Japan.

Will Fortify St. Johns.

ernment has been advised that, owing to complications between Great Britain and France, which are likely to result in war, and to the constant friction always developing along the French shore of Newfoundland, the imperial authorities intend to fortify St. Johns. of the hurricane.

the one shot which disabled the boiler of Sagasta was requested to retain offce tempting to run blockade. Have plenty the Winslow, the firing of the Spanish gun- and organize a new ministry, which he man, one Japanese vessel here observing. lay rolling in the water the range grew will do.

It was difficult for the Hudson to get near enough to throw a line to the Winslow's crew, so terrible was the fire all about her. Finally, after about 20 minutes, the Hud-Ensign Bagley and six men were standing

in a group on the deck of the Winslow. "Heave her! Heave her!" shouted Bagey, as he looked towards the commander of the Hudson and called for a line. "Don't miss it," shouted an officer from the Hudson, and, with a smile, Bagley called back: "Let her come. It's getting too hot here for comfort."

The line was thrown and about the same instant a shell burst in the very midst of the group of men on board the Winslow. Bagley was instantly killed and a few others dropped about him. Half a dozen more fell groaning on the blood-stained deck. One of the dead men pitched headlong over the side of the boat, but his feet caught in the iron rail and he was

face completely torn away and the upper part of his body shattered. The torpedo boat, disabled and helpless rolled and swayed under the fury of the fire from the Spanish gunboats. When the shell burst in the group board the Winslow another wild shout of

Bagley lay stretched on the deck, with his

and batteries and again a heavy fire was opened on the torpedo boat. Finally the Hudson succeeded in getting line on board the Winslow, and was towing her out of the deadly range when the

triumph went up from the Spanish hoats

time to make it fast. The line was finally secured and Winslow was towed up to Pedras Island, where she was anchored, with the dead and wounded on her decks. There some men

Thousands Killed. London, May 17 .- A dispatch to the Standard from The Hague says: According to a private telegram from In-St. Johns, N. F., May 17.-The gov- dia a terrible cyclone has destroyed a great part of Bima, a seaport town of

the island of Sumbawa, Malay archipelago. The shores of Sumbawa bay are covered with the bodies of thou-French consul at Santiago de Cuba has sands of victims. The town of Kucabled for food, famine prices prevailpang, island of Timor, escaped the force ing there.

Volunteers Now Number 81,000. Washington, May 17 .- Reports received by Adjt. Gen. Corbin up to ten Dewey. o'clock Monday night indicate that 81,-000 volunteers have been mustered into the United States service. Several of largest states-Pennsylvania, Ohio and Wisconsin among the numberhave mustered in their entire quota of that his expedition should consist of arrived at or are en route to the per- least a third of them should be sea assigned. It is expected now that un- capable of meeting on even terms the less something unforeseen occurs all veteran Spanish soldiers who gardison of the 125,000 volunteers will have been Manila. To endeavor to overcome the mustered into the service and be in Spanish force with less than haif their their permanent camps or en route thereto by the end of the present week.

Cost Seven Lives.

St. Hyacinthe, Que., May 17. - A disastrous fire occurred here early in the day when the Materie St. Joseph was burned, causing the loss of seven lives and injury of a number of inmates, of whom there were 200 in the institution, by jumping from windows. There are also five unaccounted for. The cause of the fire is unknown.

A Serious Matter.

begin to look upon the Cuban campaign as a very serious matter. Events have proved the Spaniards quite numerous in the island, and they are believed to be the propriety of an increase in the numbrave and reckless enough to fight desperately to the last.

Roforms for the Philippines. London, May 16. - The Madrid correspondent of the Standard says the government has wired Capt. Gen. Augusti at Manila authorizing him to grant such reforms in the Philippines as are com-

Sends for Food.

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