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THE MANILA VICTORY

Why Admiral Dewey Is Honored the World Over.

Facts About the Great Battle Gleaned from More Recent Reports-Cavite and Santingo Compared.

In order to appreciate the naval victory at Cavite it is needful to recall the state of things which existed at the time of the achievement. If the files of European newspapers and periodicals for the months of March and April, 1898, be consulted, it will be observed that a large majority of reputed experts were then of the opinion that the Spaniards would be found decided ly superior to our countrymen at sca. Even in England, Admiral Colomb and other naval officers showed themselves disposed to take a gloomy view of our prospects of success upon the ocean. owing partly to the fact that Spain was known to possess a number of armored cruisers built in the best European shipyards, but mainly to the vast extent of the sencoast we should have to defend on the Pacific as well as the Atlantic. On the Pacific, from the moment that the battleship Oregon was ordered to join the vessels operating in home waters, our means of defense were almost exclusively confined to the squadron under Dewey, which had been stationed in the China seas.

On April 26 n dispatch arrived from Washington ordering Dewey to procee at once to the Philippine islands, to begin operations against the Spanish fleet, and to capture or destroy it. At two o'clock on the very next day the salling pennant went up, and Dewey's flect steered southward across 620 miles of one of the roughest seas in the world, which lay between it and the Philippines. On April 30 it reached Subig buy, between which and Manila lay a distance of 30 miles. It was learned that the Spanish squadron lay inside the Bay of Cavite, the sides of which and the entrances to which were known to be fortified and mined. There is now no doubt that so far as land defenses were concerned, Cavite was far better equipped than was Santiago. into which the fleet under Admiral Sampson never ventured to enter.

Commodore Dewey did not stop to investigate the strength of the fortifications threatening the entrances to the Bay of Cavite, nor the reality of the submarine mines alleged to exist, but, on the very evening of his arrival, that of April 30, swept into the Bay of Cavite, receiving the fire of the fortifications and defying the mines, two of which exploded, one immediately ahead of the flagship. In front of the American vessels lay the Spanish squadron, defended at the rear and on both flanks by land batteries. Leaving out the tremendous advantage given to the Spaniards by these batteries, let us consider the relative strength of the naval forces engaged. Dewey had six fighting ships and the revenue cutter Mc-Culloch, which took no part in the action. The Spaniards had ten fighting ships and two torpedo boats, the latter, however, being practically out of action. The Americans had 57 classified big guns and 74 rapid-fire and machine guns; the Spaniards had 52 classified big guns and 72 rapid-fire and machine guns. The Americans had ten s-inch guns, while the largest Spanish guns were 6.2 inches. It follows that, if the land batteries be disregarded, Dewey had slightly the advantage in weight of metal and in heavy guns. As regards the number of men engaged. the Spaniards had 1,796 and the Americans 1,678. The result of the battle was the annihilation or capture of every Spanish vessel and the surrender of the shore batteries. The Spaniards admit-ted a loss of 634 killed and wounded,

while the Americans had not one killed and only eight wounded.

It is the completeness of the immediate result which gives Manila a great place in the history of naval battles; but what adds immensely to its importance is the fact that it involved the cession by Spain to the United States of an island empire containing upward of 8,000,000 inhabitants and possessed of immeasurable natural resources. No naval victory in the annals of the world has brought about the transfer from one power to another of so large a population.-Collier's Weekly.

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Wave Clouds.

The atmospheric ocean surrounding gigantic waves, which are invisible except when they carry parts of the air. Crows. charged with moisture, up into a colder atmospheric stratum where sudden condensation occurs. In this manner, long, parallel lines of clouds sometimes make their appearance at a great height, marking the crests of a ripple of air waves, running miles above our heads,-Youth's Comparion.

STREET CAR ETIQUETTE.

Audible Thanks of a Weman Given Seat Impels Many Men to Similar Courtesy.

That the dispute as to whether a man shall or shall not give up his seat to a woman on the street car may be decided in favor of the woman if she gives a proper acknowledgment of the courtesy, every woman who rode on a crowded North State street car one evening recently firmly believes, says the Chicago Tribune.

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"Well, really, now, I don't know why it is, but I never get on to a street car but some nice man gets up and gives me

The men ducked their heads a little lower behind the evening papers, but only for a moment. Simultaneously, amid a general laugh, they arose and offered their seats to the long line of women hanging on to the straps, while the little woman smiled more beneficently than ever, and her cheery "I told you so" augured a new code of street car etiquette.

THE BOERS AS FIGHTERS.

Mere Infants and Are Strangers to Fear.

The Boer has shown himself to be a first-class fighting man. In fact, the Boer victories over the British soldiers are largely accountable for the English feeling against them, and in the bitter warfare against the nation the success of the Boers has been extraordi-

Fewer than 450 Boers resisted 12,000 of the flercest Zulu warriors on December 16, 1838, and 3,000 natives were left dead on the field, and this with old flint-

President Kruger, as a boy, helped the 40 Dutchmen hold off 2,000 of the men of Moselitkase, then the most renowned native captain in South Africa. The bravery of the men is shown by the attack that 135 of them made on 10,000 Zulus on the Marico river, driving them out of the Transvaal.

These are simply better known instances of the fighting abilities of the Boers. Every man has handled a gun from infancy. In the old days, when a Boer was not fighting the fierce natives he was defending himself from savage beasts. Every Boer has been trained in warfare. They discovered the method of laagering their weapons, placing them in a hollow square, which the British generals have adopted as the most successful way of fighting the natives. The Boers have shown themselves masters of strategy, the result of connstant warfare with a cruel and treacherous foe.

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