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Advertisement for J. M. The Sisters of the Convent of the Holy Names, Astoria, Oregon, featuring a list of subjects like PUPILS RECEIVED, INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC, PAINTING, AND VOICE CULTURE.

Advertisement for Kopp's 'Best' beer, featuring an illustration of a man in a suit and a glass of beer. Text includes 'A DELICIOUS DRINK... AND ABSOLUTELY PURE'.

Advertisement for Mount Angel College, Oregon, featuring an illustration of the college building. Text includes 'This is just the place for your boys' and 'Delightful location, large buildings and grounds...'.

THE GREATEST VICTORY IN NAVAL HISTORY

DEWEY IS ADMIRAL OF ALL OUR FLEETS

Philippines to Be Held Under Military Governor--War Will Be Pushed With Vigor.

MATANZAS AGAIN BOMBARDED

Dolphin and Hornet Knocked Over More Forts--Spanish Story from Manila--Rumored Engagement with Spanish on Atlantic--Congratulations.

WASHINGTON, May 7.--If congress does not prematurely act, as it did in the case of Worden when he achieved his famous victory over the Merrimac, Acting Admiral Dewey will become an actual admiral in a few days.

ADMIRAL DEWEY'S PERSONAL REPORTS.

WASHINGTON, May 7.--Secretary Long at 10:30 read the following to the newspaper men as Dewey's report: Manila, May 1.--The squadron arrived at Manila at daybreak this morning. We immediately engaged the enemy and destroyed the following Spanish war vessels: Reina Christina, Castilla, Ulloa, Isla de Cuba, General Lezo, the Duero, Correa, Velasco, Mardano, one transport and a water battery to Cavite.

Reina Christina was wounded and her captain, lieutenant, chaplain and midshipmen were killed by a shell striking the bridge. Eighty of her crew were killed and sixty wounded. On the Castilla 100 were killed and sixty wounded. The Spanish losses aggregated more than a thousand.

under way. Commodore Dewey fears rioting by the rebels if he attempts a bombardment. The forts at the entrance to the bay capitulated and were dismantled on Wednesday.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT. Chicago, May 7.--The Chronicle has the following: Hong Kong, May 7.--Commodore Dewey's flag lieutenant, Thomas M. Drumby, arrived at Hongkong this morning on the revenue cutter Hugh McCulloch with the first official news of the greatest naval battle of modern times, that of Manila harbor.

The first connected story of the engagement was told by the officers of the McCulloch, who saw it and participated in it. They said that Spain's fleet of ten vessels was wholly destroyed.

The Reina Christina, the flagship of the Spanish squadron, was the center of attack at the beginning of the action, and under a hot fire poured in on her from the American ships she was soon burning from stem to stern.

The American battle line was led by the flagship Olympia and the Raleigh, followed by the Boston, Baltimore, Concord and Petrel and cutter McCulloch.

The American fleet in an easy speed approached the Spanish ships, which were drawn out in two lines, with the Reina Maria Christina, the flagship, in the center. As the dawn broke and the position of the American squadron was discovered, the Spanish fleet immediately opened fire, supported by the Cavite forts.

SPANISH AFFAIRS IN A PRECARIOUS CONDITION

Don Carlos or a Republic, Is the Cry--Madrid in Expectancy--Queen Sad but Determined.

ADMIRAL SAMPSON IS NEXT

Tonight Important News Is Expected from Him--Uneasiness in London Over the Prospect in the Canaries--Germany's Position Sound.

LONDON, May 7.--The Vienna correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: All reports that reach us from trustworthy quarters in Madrid agree that there is no doubt affairs in Spain are hurrying rapidly toward a grave crisis.

Not the slightest faith is attached to the assurances of Don Carlos that he is setting an example of quietness and inactivity. On all sides it is thought here that the next few days will bring about events that may change the entire situation in the Spanish capital.

ADMIRAL SAMPSON NEXT

New York, May 7.--A special to the World from Washington says: "We expect important news from Rear Admiral Sampson's fleet about Sunday night," said a member of the cabinet tonight. "Rear Admiral Sampson, with a number of his ships, is rapidly sailing toward the Porto Rican coast. He is expected to arrive off Porto Rico Saturday evening. The Spanish Cape Verde fleet, which is believed to be making for San Juan, Porto Rico, should make its appearance some time Sunday. Should the two powerful fleets meet, as now seems imminent, the greatest naval battle of the world will be fought. The Spanish fleet is considered by the American authorities as presenting a very formidable array of fighting vessels, and the ability of its commander, Admiral Villameca, is well known.

THE QUEEN REGENT.

New York, May 7.--A special to the World from Paris says: The Madrid correspondent of the Echo de Paris says that Pierre Loti, the novelist and academician has been received by the queen regent and that he gives an interesting account of the interview. Pierre Loti says: "I was at once struck by her air of melancholy which is rendered more apparent by a courtly silver-expanded dress

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Advertisement for ROYAL BAKING POWDER, featuring an illustration of a woman and a child. Text includes 'The Royal is the highest grade baking powder known' and 'ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure'.