

# The Santiam News

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## DOINGS OF THE WEEK

Complete Review of the Telegraphic News of This and All Foreign Lands.

Advices have been received at Washington that the revolution in Guatemala has been suppressed and peace reigns.

The total loss by the big fire at Blainock, N. D., is estimated at \$600,000 to \$700,000, with insurance not to exceed \$250,000.

The only fortified port in Porto Rico is San Juan, and not more than 8,000 fighting soldiers are on the island. The sentiment of the natives is entirely in favor of the United States and against Spain. There is plenty of food.

Spain is increasing her defenses and guarding against any possible Anglo-American combination near Gibraltar. Forty guns have been added, and the garrison force between Cartagena and Guadalupe reinforced.

It appears that the Cubans under Gomez have determined to forestall the American commander in the operations in the vicinity of Holguin, as they have already occupied the small towns near Holguin and are still pressing forward.

Three men dead and a woman dying is the result of a shooting affray at Central City, N. D., Thursday. Judge J. P. Hildings, Ed. Shannon and Jack Wear are the men, and Mrs. Ed. Shannon is the woman. All the parties are well-to-do.

At Truckee, Cal., an explosion in a freight car containing two tanks of naphtha, caused by a tramp lighting a cigarette, resulted in the burning of 11 cars of merchandise and 1,800 feet of snowsheds. Three men were seriously injured and all passenger trains were delayed.

Eight hundred Spaniards at Cape San Juan, attempted to retake the lighthouse, which was guarded by 40 of our sailors, commanded by Lieutenant Atwater, Assistant Engineer Jenkins, Engineer Binns and Gunner Campbell. The Spaniards were driven back by shells from the Amphitrite, Cincinnati and Leyden. It is reported that 100 Spaniards were killed.

In official circles at Madrid the reply of the United States to Spain in the matter of peace negotiations is regarded as satisfactory. Sagasta, however, denies that he authorized the French ambassador at Washington, as a representative of Spain, to make any change in the Spanish answer. As regards certain conditions which might create differences during the course of negotiations, the premier adds: "If any change is to be made, the government itself will make them."

A marble bust of the late James K. Blaine has been placed in the rotunda of the state house in Augusta, Me.

A dispatch from Santiago to Adjutant-General Corbin says the Lycante has been loaded with the Spanish sick. It carried 1,000 and left Wednesday morning.

The United States has magnanimously offered to parole the 1,300 Spanish naval prisoners taken at the destruction of Admiral Cervera's fleet, whenever Spain is ready to repatriate them.

Had a rescue boat been sent out, many of the victims of the La Bourgeois might have been saved. There is ample evidence that some of them clung to wreckage for three or four days before they perished.

Senator Morgan, of the Hawaiian commission, is quoted by the San Francisco Call as saying that ex-President Dole will be the first governor of Hawaii, and not Minister Sewall, as recently reported. The senator added that he had the best of reasons for believing that Admiral Miller was carrying Dole's commission to the island.

Vessels arriving at San Francisco from Oregon and Puget sound ports have reported sighting a dangerous derelict in the path of navigation. It has been surmised to be the wreck of either the Jane Grey, Nomad or Forest Queen, all of which are missing, and are possibly afloat on the ocean. Captain Turner, of the freighter, has received orders to proceed to Mare Island, procure a supply of explosives, and go in search of the derelict that is a menace to navigation. He is either to tow it into port or blow it up.

General Miles' invasion of Porto Rico is progressing in an entirely satisfactory manner, and the Americans are gaining ground daily. His plan is to have the troops march on San Juan from four different directions. When Schwan and Henry form a junction at Arecibo there will be a formidable army ready to march on San Juan. The forage for horses is superb. Miles is giving his personal attention to the management of the details of the campaign. He intends to press forward to San Juan, regardless of peace negotiations until Washington orders hostilities to cease.

Minor News Items.  
The army of invasion to Porto Rico will number 35,000 when completed.  
Artillery is being concentrated in the Northern Sierra, in Spain, where a Carlist uprising is feared.  
One of our first-class battleships, probably the Oregon, will be sent to reinforce Admiral Dewey at Manila.  
Governor Pingree, of Michigan, favors establishing republics in colonies captured from Spain, the United States acting as guardian.  
Examination of the hulls of Cervera's ships showed that six and eight-inch guns had proved more effective in destroying them than those of larger size.  
The news of the destruction of Admiral Cervera's fleet at Santiago, when received at Manila, created consternation among the Spaniards.  
Cuban refugees in Salvador have appealed to the United States government for protection against outrages by the pro-Spanish element of that country.  
Details of the sinking of the Chinese steamer Fu Chang off Port Arthur on June 9, confirm previous reports that the crew of 130 men were drowned.

## LATER NEWS.

It is rumored that Blanco has escaped from Havana.

General Miles' troops will remain in Porto Rico until peace negotiations are concluded.

The O. R. & N. Co., will build a new steamer, the Spokane, to run on Snake river.

Mail advices received at Hong Kong report recent activity on the part of the Spaniards at Manila.

Miss Percy Wing, of Washougal, Wash., was drowned Monday in the surf at Clatsop beach.

Monday was the hottest day known in London in years. Up to 2 o'clock the prostrations numbered 130.

A new line of steamers from Honolulu from Seattle has been instituted. The first will start for the islands on the 25 inst.

A report to the effect that Manila has fallen and that American forces are in possession of the entire city and the forts is in circulation in London.

During a terrific thunder storm, lightning struck Camp Hobson, Ga. Seven soldiers are in the hospital seriously hurt. The same company was in a wreck a week ago at Fort McPherson.

What is regarded as a most important discovery of rich placer diggings, is reported to have been made on Pine creek, a small stream emptying into Atlin lake, a feeder of Lake Tagish, Northwest territory.

A tornado Sunday night struck near Canby, Minn., killed seven people, destroyed many buildings, and did great damage to crops. The entire family of Joe Hutchinson, including his wife and four children, were killed. The storm was not wide in extent, but very violent. Seven people are missing, and come of them are supposed to be killed.

The coal miner's lockout at Pana, Ill., reached a climax Monday. Several hundred union men congregated near the mine in an endeavor to induce the non-unionists not to go to work. Two non-union men, rode upon horse-back and emptied their revolvers into the crowd. Three union men were seriously wounded. Further trouble may ensue.

A carload of lemons and other fruit obtained by the efforts of the Red Cross Society was on Monday forwarded from San Francisco to the sick soldiers of General Shafter's army. It is consigned to Colonel J. M. Brown, U. S. A. Station Island military hospital. Besides lemons the car contains grape fruit, oranges and other fruits. The car is elaborately decorated with bunting and bears several patriotic placards.

Secretary Alger has called orders to the military commanders to cease hostilities.

The government has at last succeeded in securing a smokeless powder accepted for Springfield rifles, and is laying in a supply.

The American colony at Sidney, N. S. W., has called Washington, praying the government to retain possession of the Philippines.

The United States government has purchased the British tank steamer Luciline for a water-boat, the consideration being \$225,000.

The Washington volunteers in camp at San Francisco have petitioned Secretary of War Alger to either send them to Manila or permit them to return to their homes.

An order has been issued at the office of the adjutant-general of the United States army, granting one month's furlough to the sick and wounded soldiers and transportation to their homes.

It is reported that 40 Bannock Indians from Idaho, who are killing elk in Jackson's Hole, have successfully resisted arrest. Secretary Bliss has issued orders for the Washakie authorities to drive the Indians back.

The steamer Victoria, just arrived at Victoria from the Orient, brings news of a frightful accident in Yokohama harbor, whereby two lady missionaries of the American mission board, Miss Simmons and Miss Allen, lost their lives by drowning, being run down by a Chinese junk.

The question of the acceptance of the protocol having been settled and its signature authorized, the Spanish government is now considering the most expedient situation for the best means of allaying excitement and preaguing the idea that Spain's surrender is not so complete as indicated by the bald terms of the protocol.

A serious mistake came to light at a funeral in Cincinnati. The remains of Captain W. D. Sherman, a Kansas volunteer, wounded at Santiago, were receiving the burial honors intended for the body of Mrs. Elizabeth Winkler, an aged woman. Both caskets came by express, and the wrong one got to the funeral.

Admiral Cervera and a number of his officers, who are now prisoners at the naval academy at Annapolis, were interviewed at their station in Annapolis for the first time since their arrival. Admiral Cervera was reserved in his comment, but his officers were more outspoken. All were very grateful for the treatment which they have received.

General Shafter says it would have cost 5,000 lives to have taken Santiago by force.

There are about 300,000 persons to whom bonds under the government's popular loan will be allotted.

Rev. Samuel Small, the famous evangelist, has been appointed a chaplain in the volunteer army.

Geronimo, the famous Apache chief, is at Fort Sill, in the Indian territory, and spends most of his time playing monte. He is 90 years old.  
Major John J. Budd, commander at Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Ga., denies the recent report of escape of Spanish prisoners from the military prison at the barracks.  
Conditions at Santiago are rapidly changing for the better. General Wood, the military governor, has ordered all shops to open, and heretofore there will be music on the plaza every Sunday and Thursday.  
The president has appointed N. O. Murphy to be governor of Arizona, to succeed Myron W. McCora, who resigned to accept the colony of an army regiment.

## A PARTING SHOT

### The Havana Batteries Opened Fire on the Fleet.

### SAN FRANCISCO WAS STRUCK

Large Hole Torn in the Cruiser's Stern—No One Aboard Ship Was Hurt—American Vessels Steamed Out of Range as Rapidly as Possible.

Key West, Fla., Aug. 16.—The flagship San Francisco, the monitor Miantonomoh, and the auxiliary yacht Silvia, were fired upon by the Havana batteries shortly before 5 o'clock yesterday morning. One 10 and two 12-inch shells struck the San Francisco's stern and she turned to get away out of range, and tore a hole about a foot in diameter, completely wrecking Commodore Howell's quarters and smashing his bookcases into fragments. No one was injured, and, being under orders not to attack the batteries, the ships departed as fast as their engines would carry them.

The flagship and the Silvia lay parallel to each other, not more than a mile from Morro castle, and separated from each other by three-eighths of a mile. The Miantonomoh lay about three-quarters of a mile to the rear of the others. All were within range of the Spanish batteries, and the temptation was too strong for the Spanish to resist.

The first glimmer of dawn was breaking through the eastern skies when, without an instant's warning, the look-out on the flagship saw a jet of smoke puff from one of Morro's big guns. Almost before he could pull himself together sufficiently to make a report of the incident, 10 and 12-inch shells were screaming all around. The Spaniards had the range, and apparently were grimly in earnest in their last efforts to wreck injury on their too mighty enemy. Shells fell between the San Francisco and the Silvia. Some fell short, a few went over them. The flagship signalled the Silvia to get out of range without delay, and both ships swung around and made for the sea.

It was then that the shell struck the San Francisco's stern. Commodore Howell was on deck with Captain Leary when the shell struck. With the utmost speed the fleet moved out about three miles. Here the men on the flagship patched up the ragged hole in the vessel's stern. All the shells fired at the vessel fell around the ship. One of the Silvia's men stood crouched on the deck of the yacht, watch in hand, and counted them.

Morro castle fired several of the missiles, but how many is not known. The others came from two sand-batteries near Morro. The firing lasted 20 minutes.

The one-sided engagement had scarcely ended when the men of the Silvia were treated to another surprise. The little yacht quivered as some fell from the New York naval militia. Her crew had barely recovered from the excitement when the flagship called the vessel over, and Captain Bellers was given a packet of private documents, which he was ordered to take into Havana under a flag of truce. The white flag was hoisted over the Silvia, and she started towards the guns which had just given her such noisy greeting. As the Silvia approached to within a mile of Morro, the character of the flag floating from her foremast was discerned and the castle signalled:

"What is your purpose?"

To this the Silvia answered: "We have papers to deliver."

Morro did not resume the conversation and for some little time the gunboat rocked on the waters almost under the still-smoking cannon of the enemy. Presently, however, a Spanish gunboat drew out of the harbor and came close to the Silvia. It was the Martin y Pinzon, and carried a much stronger battery than the American ship.

The customary formal salutations were exchanged, and Lieutenant William G. Ford, the executive officer of the Silvia, boarded the Pinzon and delivered the documents.

The ceremony occupied no more time than the physical act involved. The American officer returned to his ship, and the vessels went on their respective ways.

San Into a Washout.  
Chicago, Aug. 16.—Battery A, Colorado light artillery, passed through Chicago today on the way to Fort Hancock, N. Y. The troops arrived over the Santa Fe road just too late to make connection with an eastbound train. They were delayed by an accident. A washout occurred near Nemo, Ill., and to the speed of the train the men owe their lives. As the last tourist car passed over a small cowpit, the roadbed collapsed and the car plunged from the rails. Every man on the train was awakened, but before it came to a stop, a guard rail caught the rear truck of the sleeper and threw it on the track.

Collided With a Yacht.  
Boston, Mass., Aug. 15.—The sloop yacht Leona, with 17 men aboard, while anchored outside of Boston light, was run into by a large tug of the tug Honeybrook and five men were swept from the deck by the heavy tug line. Two of the number, C. W. Sellman and A. Nordell, were drowned; another, A. Casperson, was killed by being jammed between the tug line and the deck, while the two others, Peter Nelson and J. Harkinson, although sustaining injuries, were rescued.

Panic on an Excursion Boat.  
Cincinnati, O., Aug. 16.—At midnight tonight, the steamer New South, a large vessel returning to this city with an excursion party from the upper part of the city, causing a panic among its 700 passengers, many of whom were knocked off their feet. There are unverified rumors that some were drowned, but no names are given.

To share their lunch, a cat has the habit of following tourists up on one of the Alps to the height of 10,500 feet.

## SPAIN IN MOURNING

Cable Stunned by the Loss of the Colonies.

London, Aug. 16.—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Mail says: The comments of the press on the protocol are a veritable funeral hymn on the destruction of the Spanish colonial empire. Some days ago, the desire for peace made the people close their eyes to the price, but now, upon reading the protocol, they realize that the cost is the loss of that empire which Spain had conquered with so much glory, and that Spain now falls to the second rank among nations. The public mind is stunned and there is general mourning.

General Blanco telegraphs that Havana is greatly agitated by the news of the signing of the protocol, and that much anxiety is manifested to learn the conditions, which have not yet been published. Some uneasiness is felt regarding the effect that the text of the protocol may have on the Spanish volunteers in Havana.

Many newspapers express grief and despair that the men who brought disaster to Spain by lack of foresight, or obstinacy and ability, should continue to govern the country.

The Madrid Press.  
Madrid, Aug. 16.—The El Pais today prints the text of the protocol signed by the United States and Spain with mourning borders, and says:

"Spain, without colonies, is reduced to the role of a third-rate power."

El Imparcial says: "Peace will not bring to Spain even the rest she so much needs after three years and a half of war."

El Nacional says, bitterly: "If Spain had at least been vanquished only after a furious and heroic struggle, she could resign herself. Peace with the United States will only be a momentary respite from our misfortunes."

El Epoca says: "The peace is the saddest imposed since the treaty of Utrecht," and expressed the doubt if a government which allowed itself to be dragged into war will acquit itself well by negotiating peace.

El Liberal says the article in the protocol relating to the Philippines does not indicate that anything good for Spain will be fixed upon, and the question will not be settled favorably for her.

El Globo (ministerial) prays for peace between the United States and Spain, and says the communications on Eastern questions, which Day and Cambon have signed, begin the first chapter in a new history of Europe.

El Tiempo (conservative) says: "Peace is an accomplished fact. The bitterness of defeat does not prevent us from seeing with satisfaction the end of the war."

## DEATH IN A CLOUDBURST

Twenty Persons Met a Sudden End in Tennessee.

Knoxville, Tenn., Aug. 16.—A terrible cloudburst, in which at least 20 lives are known to have been sacrificed, was last night visited upon the community of Beach Creek, about 15 miles north of Rogersville, Tenn., which place is 80 miles distant from Knoxville. The torrent of water fell in the vicinity of the home of William Figan, a well-to-do farmer, and his entire family, wife and five children, were drowned, and washed away with the flood. Figan, however, escaped. The deluge of water carried with it every other human being within its reach, but the only names of the lost reported were those of the Figan family, in addition to the Figan family, are John Arnold and Samuel Henry and wife. These people resided within a quarter of a mile of the Figan home. This information was received in this city by friends of the deceased.

Searching parties have been formed and are tonight looking for the bodies of the unfortunate men who perished in the flood. It is, however, feared that they have been carried to graves from which they may never be recovered. The cloudburst destroyed several thousand dollars worth of property. Whole crops were washed away and partial houses suffered the same fate as the humblest hut in the path of the flood.

It has been impossible to communicate with the stricken community from this city on account of the fact that all wire communication has been interrupted. The complete details of the catastrophe are, however, expected to be known in a few days. The reports received up to a late hour tonight make it the most terrible affair of its kind experienced in this section for many years.

Threatened Protest by Japan.  
Seattle, Wash., Aug. 16.—Japanese papers received here today contain a story to the effect that the Japanese ministry will protest against the United States holding the Hawaiian islands, in order to compel the opposition of foreign nations to Italy raising an issue of foreign recognition.

Denver, Col., Aug. 16.—The Northern Colorado coal miners' strike, in which about 1,300 miners were engaged, is at an end, the miners having accepted the Northern Coal Company's offer of 25 cents a ton, nine run. Both sides claim a victory.

Fighting Ends.  
Ponce, Porto Rico, Aug. 16.—The peace news has stopped all forward movement of the American army in Porto Rico. General Wilson at Coamo and General Schwan, at Mayaguez, will remain at those places. General Henry, who is at Utuado, will return to Adjuntas, and General Brooke, who advanced beyond Guayama, will return to that town. General Miles expects to do nothing pending the arrival at San Juan of the peace commissioners.

Order Revoked.  
San Francisco, Aug. 16.—The order for the sailing of troops for Manila, on the transports Scandia and Arizona, has been countermanded. The transports will sail for the Philippines, but they will carry only stores, consisting of medicines, commissary and quarters of the troops.

Terms of the Protocol.  
Washington, Aug. 15.—Secretary Day gave out this statement of the provisions of the protocol: "Spain will relinquish all claim of sovereignty over and title to Cuba. "Porto Rico and other Spanish islands in the West Indies and an island in the Ladrones, to be selected by the United States, shall be ceded to the latter. "Cuba, Porto Rico and other Spanish islands in the West Indies shall be immediately evacuated."

The British Fleet.  
London, Aug. 15.—A dispatch from Gibraltar says the departure from that place of the British military squadron, which was fixed for today, has been countermanded, and the squadron has been ordered to remain at Gibraltar while awaiting further orders. It is not known whether this change in the admiralty's plans has any connection with the situation in the far East.

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## PROTOCOL SIGNED

### War Between America and Spain Terminated.

### ORDER HOSTILITIES STOPPED

Orders Sent to American Military and Naval Commanders—An Impressive Ceremony at the White House—Two Commissioners Provided For.

Washington, Aug. 15.—With simplicity in keeping with republican institutions, the war which has raged between Spain and the United States for a period of three months and 22 days, was quietly terminated at 23 minutes past 4 o'clock this afternoon, when Secretary Day, for the United States, and M. Cambon, for Spain, in the presence of President McKinley, signed a protocol which will form the basis of a definite treaty of peace.

The closing chapter of events that led up to the signature of the protocol and the cessation of hostilities was full of interest. There was rumors in the early morning that over night the French embassy had received the long-expected final answer from Madrid, but these, upon inquiry, proved groundless, as it was not until 12:30 that the note began to come from Madrid in small lots.

The state department was soon advised of the fact that the message was under transmission, but, as it was evident that it would be long and that its reception would occupy much time, the secretary of state left the state department for his luncheon.

At 2:45 o'clock Secretary Tliebant, of the French embassy, appeared at the state department to inform Secretary Day that the ambassador was in full possession of the note, and was fully empowered to sign the protocol for Spain, and only awaited the pleasure of the state department. He intimated that the ambassador would be pleased to have the final ceremony conducted in the presence of President McKinley, where the negotiations were begun.

The ambassador, Cambon, reached the White House at just 3:25 o'clock, five minutes in advance of the appointed hour.

After an exchange of diplomatic courtesies, unnecessary loss of time did not occur, and Assistant Secretary of State Criddle, on the part of the United States, and First Secretary Tliebant, on the part of Spain, retired to a window, where there was a critical formal examination of the protocol.

This instrument had all the outward formalities due a document of this importance. It was printed in duplicate at the state department, one copy to be retained by the United States government and the other to become the property of Spain. The two copies are alike, except that the English text in the first column, and the signature of Secretary Day ahead of that of M. Cambon, while the copy transmitted to Spain has French in the first column and the signature of M. Cambon ahead of that of Secretary Day.

The protocol sent to Spain was accompanied by the credentials issued by President McKinley, specially empowering the secretary of state to affix his signature to the document. The authorization was brief and in typewriting, save for the president's characteristic bold signature. Later the American copy of the protocol will be accompanied by the written credentials of the Spanish government sent to M. Cambon, and bearing the signature of Queen Christina.

The examination of the protocol was satisfactory, and the document was handed to Cambon first and then to Secretary Day, who affixed signatures in that order to each side of the two copies. Then the last detail in making the protocol binding was administered by Assistant Secretary Criddle, who attached the seal of the United States.

No credentials were produced during the meeting at the White House, the president appointing Secretary Day's assurance that this had been settled to his satisfaction at the state department.

It was 4:25 o'clock when the final signatures were attached to the protocol, and, within the knowledge of all officials present, this was the first time that a treaty protocol had been signed at the White House.

As this ceremony concluded, the president requested the hand of the ambassador and through him returned thanks to the sister republic of France for the exercise of her good offices in bringing about peace. He also thanked the ambassador personally for the important part he has played in this matter, and the latter replied in suitable terms.

As a further mark of his disposition, President McKinley lauded for the proclamation, which he caused to be drawn up, suspending hostilities, and signed it in the presence of M. Cambon, who expressed his appreciation of the action.

Gratification in England.  
London, Aug. 15.—The morning papers are unanimous in expressing gratification that the war is ended. The comment mainly turns on the fact that the protocol leaves untouched the hardest problems now facing America. The Times believes it will be a real peace, adding:

"We trust it is no violation of neutrality to express the satisfaction of the great majority of Englishmen in America's success."

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## President's Proclamation

Washington, Aug. 15.—The president issued the following proclamation: "By the president of the United States of America—a proclamation: "Whereas, By a protocol concluded and signed August 15, 1898, by William R. Day, secretary of state of the United States, and his excellency Jules Cambon, ambassador extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of France, at Washington, respectively representing for the purpose the government of the United States and the government of Spain, the United States and Spain have formally agreed upon the terms on which the negotiations for the establishment of peace between the two countries shall be undertaken; and

"Whereas, It is in said protocol agreed that upon its execution and signature hostilities between the two countries shall be suspended, and notice to that effect shall be given as soon as possible by each government to the commanders of its military and naval forces;

"Now, therefore, I, William McKinley, president of the United States, do, in accordance with stipulations of the protocol, declare and proclaim on the part of the United States a suspension of hostilities, and do hereby command that orders be immediately issued through the proper channels to the commanders of military and naval forces of the United States to abstain from all acts inconsistent with this proclamation.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done at the city of Washington, this 15th day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-third.

"WILLIAM MCKINLEY, President.

"WILLIAM R. DAY, Secretary of State."

## HOSTILITIES SUSPENDED.

Orders to American Military and Naval Commanders.

Washington, Aug. 15.—The orders to General Merritt to suspend hostilities were as follows: "Washington—Merritt, Manila: The president directs all military operations against the enemy suspended. Peace negotiations are nearing completion, the protocol having just been signed by the two countries. You will inform the commanders of the Spanish forces in the Philippines of these instructions. Further orders will follow. Acknowledge receipt.

"By order of the secretary of war. "CORBIN, Adjutant-General."

The orders sent to Miles and Shafter were identical with the above. As the order states further instructions will be sent each general. General Merritt will be directed to confer with the Spanish commandant at Manila to carry out the terms of the protocol and to occupy Manila immediately.

General Merritt will not himself communicate with the chief authority in Porto Rico for the purpose of having the Spanish forces turn over San Juan and other points to him, preparatory to evacuation.

Owing to the conditions in Cuba, the orders to Shafter will be different from those to the other generals. Orders were issued this evening to the naval commanders at the several stations on duty in Cuba and the Philippines, carrying into effect the directions of the proclamation. The navy department not only transmitted the president's proclamation in full to the several commanders-in-chief, but also directions as to the dispositions of their vessels. The following orders are in that sense self-explanatory:

"Navy Department, Washington, Aug. 15.—Sampson, Santiago: Suspend all hostilities. Blockade of Cuba and Porto Rico is raised. Howell is ordered to assemble his vessels at Key West. Proceed with the New York, Brooklyn, Indiana, Oregon, Iowa and Massachusetts to Tompkinsville. Place the monitors in a safe harbor in Porto Rico. Watson transfers his flag to the Newark and will remain at Guantanamo. Assemble all cruisers in safe harbors. Order the marines north in the Resolute.

"Acting Secretary." "Navy Department, Washington, Aug. 15.—Remy, Key West: In accordance with the president's proclamation, suspend immediately all hostilities. Commence the withdrawal of vessels from the blockade. Order blockading vessels in Cuban waters to assemble at Key West. "Acting Secretary."

The notification to Admiral Dewey was not made public, but Assistant Secretary Allen stated that besides being in possession of the president's proclamation, he was ordered to cease hostilities and raise the blockade at Manila.

In compliance with orders sent, Admiral Sampson and Commodore Remy will each send a vessel around the coast of Cuba to notify the blockading squadron that the blockade has been raised.

Admiral Schley, being on the Brooklyn and included in the orders that to "resist," will come north with her.

Washington, Aug. 15.—President McKinley has been the recipient to-night of warm congratulations from all parts of the country on the successful termination of the war.

Water Boat Purchased.  
Philadelphia, Aug. 15.—Official announcement today of the purchase of the British tank steamer Luciline by the United States government for a water boat. The Luciline, now anchored off League Island, will be rechristened the Jupiter. The price paid was \$225,000.

It is computed that there are enough papers in Great Britain to form, four abreast, a procession over 100 miles in length.

Have Left Santiago.  
Santiago, Aug. 15.—Major-General H. W. Lawton, U. S. V., has been appointed military governor of the department of Santiago, and Brigadier-General Leonard Wood has been requested to remain as governor of the city of Santiago, under General Lawton. Brigadier-General Ezra P. Ewers, U. S. V., has been appointed governor of the city of Guantamo today, and the rest of the Seventy-first New York regiments, thus completing the embarkation of the First division.

## THE FINAL BLOW

### Miles' Last Battle a Victory for the Americans.

### GEN. ERNST CAPTURES COAMO

Schwan's Brigade Encounters the Enemy Near Mayaguez—Two Men Killed, One Wounded—The Spanish Commander Was Killed.

Washington, Aug. 15.—The war department late today gave out the following delayed telegram:

"Ponce, Aug. 11.—Secretary of War, Washington: The following has been received from General Wilson: General Ernst's brigade captured Coamo at 8:30 this morning. The Sixteenth Pennsylvania, Colonel Hallings commanding, led by Lieutenant-Colonel Bidde, of my staff, having made a turning movement through the mountains, striking the Aybonto road half mile beyond the town, captured the entire garrison of Coamo, about 100 men. The Spanish commander, Illaca, and Captain Lopez were killed. Our loss is six wounded, only one severely. The men and officers behaved excellently. Colonel Hallings and Lieutenant-Colonel Bidde were especially commended. This is a very important capture and was well executed. The names of the wounded will be sent as soon as received here."

General Miles reports from Ponce that five men were wounded, though none seriously, in the Sixteenth Pennsylvania regiment in the skirmish beyond Coamo, August 9.

A dispatch has been received at the war department from General Schwan, commanding a brigade under General Miles, in Porto Rico, saying he had an engagement a few miles from Mayaguez with a large Spanish force, in which two private were killed and Lieutenant Byron, of the Eighth cavalry, was wounded. One of the privates killed was Harnberger, of the Eleventh infantry.

General Schwan reports: "Most, if not the entire Spanish garrison of Mayaguez and the surrounding country, consisting of 1,000 regulars and 200 volunteers, took part in the engagement. We drove the enemy from