

HOBSON IS EXCHANGED.

Crew That Sunk the Merrimac Is Again Aboard Sampson's Ships.

FOR SEVENTEEN SPANIARDS.

Three Lieutenants and Fourteen Enlisted Men, Captured at Caney, Given for the Americans—Colonel Astor and Lieutenant Milley Met Spanish Representative in View of Armistice.

OFF JURAGUA, July 6.—Richmond P. Hobson of the flagship New York and the seven seamen who with him sailed the collier Merrimac into the channel of the harbor of Santiago de Cuba June 3 and sunk her there, were surrendered by the Spanish military authorities to-day in exchange for prisoners captured by the American forces.

Hobson and his men were escorted through the American lines by Captain Chadwick of New York, who was waiting for them.

Every step of their journey was marked by the wildest demonstrations upon the part of the American soldiers, who threw aside all semblance of order, scrambled out of the entrenchments, knocked over tent guys and other camp paraphernalia in their eagerness to see the returning heroes and sent up cheer after cheer for the men who had passed safely through the jaws of death to serve their country.

As Hobson and his men marched through General Wheeler's camp the bands played "When Johnny Comes Marching Home."

The same scenes of enthusiasm were repeated upon the arrival of the men



LIEUT. HOBSON. (The hero of the Merrimac.)

at the hospital station and at our base at Juragua.

Hobson, who reached there in advance of his companions, was taken on board the New York immediately.

The flagship's decks were lined with officers and men and as Hobson clambered up her side and stepped on board his vessel the harbor rang with the shouts and cheers of his comrades, which were re-echoed by the crews of a dozen transports lying near by.

Hobson had little to say in regard to his experiences except that he and his companions had been well treated by the Spaniards and that they were all in excellent health.

A TRUCE TO MAKE EXCHANGE.

The Spanish authorities consented this (Wednesday) morning to exchange Hobson and his men and a truce was established for the purpose. The place selected for the exchange was under a tree between the American and Spanish lines, two-thirds of a mile beyond the entrenchments occupied by Colonel Wood's "Rough Riders" near General Wheeler's headquarters and in the center of the American line.

The American prisoners left the Reina Mercedes hospital on the outskirts of Santiago de Cuba, where they had been confined, at 2:45 this afternoon, in charge of Major Iries, a Spanish staff officer, who speaks English perfectly.

17 MEN FOR MERRIMAC'S CREW.

The prisoners were conducted to the meeting place on foot, but were not blindfolded. Colonel John Jacob Astor and Lieutenant Milley, accompanied by an interpreter, Maestro, were in charge of the Spanish prisoners. These consisted of Lieutenants Amelio-Volez and Aurelius, a German belonging to the Twenty-ninth regular Spanish infantry, who was captured at El Caney Friday, and Lieutenant Adolph Aries of the First provisional regiment of Barcelona, one of the most aristocratic military organizations of the Spanish army, and fourteen non-commissioned officers and privates.

SPANISH BLINDFOLDED.

Lieutenant Aries and a number of men were wounded in the fight at El Caney. The Spanish prisoners were taken through the American lines mounted and blindfolded.

The meeting between Colonel Astor and Major Iries, a Spanish officer, was extremely courteous, though very formal, and no attempt was made by either of them to discuss anything except the matter in hand.

Major Iries was given his choice of three Spanish lieutenants in exchange for Hobson and was also informed that he could have all of the fourteen men in exchange for the American sailors.

SPANIARDS PARTING DEFIANCE.

It was then not later than 4 o'clock, just as everything was finished and

the two parties were separating, Iries turned and said courteously enough, but in a tone which indicated considerable defiance and gave his hearers the impression that he desired hostilities to be renewed at once: "Our understanding is, gentlemen, that this truce comes to an end at 5 o'clock."

Colonel Astor looked at his watch, bowed to the Spanish officer, without making reply and then started back slowly to the American lines, with Hobson and his companions following.

The meeting of the two parties and the exchange of prisoners had taken place in full view of both the American and Spanish soldiers, who were entrenched near the meeting place.

WOUNDED ARE DOING WELL.

Of 1,000 Brought to a Division Hospital Only Two Have Died.

WITH SHAFTER'S ARMY, July 5.—The general health of the United States troops is excellent. Not a case of yellow fever is reported.

Of over 1,000 wounded treated in this division hospital, only two have died—John Myers, Company C, Sixth Infantry, a leg having been amputated at the thigh, and Private James H. McCartney of the same company and regiment, who succumbed to a brain operation.

The wounds show that the Spaniards are not only using explosive bullets, but also brass covered bullets with the ends filed. The latter make ghastly wounds. When they strike the brass lining spreads out, tearing the flesh.

SHE DANCED WITH ANOTHER.

A Jealous Kansas Boy Killed Himself and a Girl Near Emporia.

EMPORIA, Kan., July 5.—Arthur Jones and Mary Leishman were found dead on the base ball grand stand at Soden's grove this morning. They were seen together last night inquiring for postage stamps. The girl was shot through the head and near the heart. The boy was shot through the heart. A revolver with three empty cylinders lay between them. The boy was 16 years old and worked in the office of the Emporia Republican and the girl lived at Scranton. She had quarreled with her people. It is probable Jones killed the girl through jealousy. She went with another boy to the Fourth of July dance. She had been going with Jones for some time.

IN DEFENSE OF THE CUBANS.

General Shafter Says the Insurgents Do Not Mistreat Spanish Prisoners.

WASHINGTON, July 8.—The War department posted the following dispatch from General Shafter to-day, received in response to an inquiry as to the reported killing of Spanish prisoners by Cubans:

PLAY DEL ESTE, July 7.—The Hon. Secretary of War, Washington: Dispatch as to killing prisoners by Cubans absolutely false. No prisoners have been shown no disposition to treat badly any Spaniards who have fallen in their hands—Shafter, Major General Commanding.

CANNOT USE THE BALLOON.

The Spaniards Destroyed the Stores of Gas and Tubes.

WASHINGTON, July 8.—General Greely has received a dispatch from Colonel Allen, at Playa del Este, Cuba, regarding the signal corps balloon used for observation purposes with General Shafter's army. He says that the balloon, which was hit by the enemy and split, has been repaired, but the supply of stored gas and tubes for it is exhausted, owing to the injuries caused by the enemies' bullets. Attempts are now making to get tubes from the front, where the gas generator is kept. A second balloon is expected from Tampa to-day, Colonel Allen reports.

MORE SAD NEWS FOR MADRID.

Admiral Villamil Dead and Captain Lazaga Is a Suicide.

MADRID, July 8.—The government has received a telegram from Admiral Cervera announcing the death of Admiral Villamil, who was in command of the Spanish torpedo boat squadron at Santiago, and the suicide of Captain Lazaga, the commander of the Infanta Maria Teresa.

Captain Villamil was in command of the torpedo boat destroyers. It is said that Blanco wanted him placed in command of the whole fleet to supersede Cervera.

TRANSPORTS AT HAWAII.

The Second and Third Manila Expeditions Reported From Honolulu.

HONOLULU, June 29.—The second fleet of transports arrived here June 23 and sailed for Manila June 25. The Monterey and collier Brutus arrived June 24 and left for Manila June 29. The trip was successful, the Monterey going under her own steam until June 18, when the Brutus took her in tow.

Sampson's Report on the Reina Mercedes.

WASHINGTON, July 8.—Admiral Sampson has telegraphed the navy department as follows from his flagship the New York, off Santiago, dated yesterday: "About midnight last night the Reina Mercedes was seen by the Massachusetts, which vessel had a searchlight on the channel, coming out of the harbor of Santiago. The Massachusetts and Texas opened fire and the Spanish vessel was sunk opposite Estrella cove. I am inclined to think it was the intention to sink her in the channel and thus block the harbor entrance. If so, this plan was defeated by the fire of the ships, as she lies on the edge of the shore."

It did not take Friend Egbert of Wisconsin long to make up his mind to help free THE AMERICAN from debt. He was reading our last issue to a friend and came across our appeal. He at once declared his intention of sending us a couple of dollars. The gentleman to whom he was reading said he would chip in a dollar also. The result was that the next mail brought us a money order for \$3.00. Thank you, Friend Egbert. Thank you, our unknown and unnamed friend. With God's help we shall continue to oppose Romanism.

The answers to our appeal have commenced to come in in earnest. We hope each one will see their way clear to send us something, if it is not more than a dollar. If you would all do that today, next week we could say to you, THE AMERICAN is out of debt. There will probably be some who cannot give anything, but there are many others who can give \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50 and \$100 and we believe that as we are doing God's work, He will put it in the hearts of true Christians to hold up our hands at this time.

A friend tells us that it is no use to oppose Martin White for he was agreed on before the new board of fire and police commissioners were confirmed, and that all the other elements in the Republican party were to get something and that our friends would be taken care of. We were not a party to that agreement so are not bound by it. Martin White is an unfit man for chief of police. He has boasted that he will make certain businessmen walk out of town if he is chosen chief. Those businessmen are Masons of high degree.

Which? The time has come for every Roman Catholic to decide what he shall do. Shall he follow the pope in his endeavor to support Spain, or will they stand by the United States and take their religion direct from the Bible? The pope is trying to cause all the "faithful" here to carry his train, but will they do it? Will the Roman Catholics here think for themselves or will they still be slaves to the pope and fight for the enemies of this country instead of against them? It is high time the Roman Catholics, in a body, swear allegiance to this government, so that people may know that they meant what they said. A mental reservation man should be compelled to be an Indian reservation man and placed under guard and closely watched. Now, let all honest men of the Roman Catholic church show that they are what they say they are. And if they are enemies to the United States let them be treated as such.

Can't McKinley take the hint. The pope is in despair. He can't offer to intervene now because the United States refused his offer at first. We repeat, can't McKinley take a hint? The pope wants him to ask him to arbitrate—and the old rascal claims to own both the Philippines and Cuba. Nice idea, that, to ask a man to settle a question for you when he claims you are trying to take something from another that belongs to him.

The governments of the world can get rid of that pestiferous gang, which has headquarters in the Vatican on the Tiber, by cancelling all bonds and other securities held by their corporation and confiscating all property now in its name. There's millions in it. Dare you do it?

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Do you look over the advertisements in this paper?

Ignorant Spain. The Spanish are appalling illiterate. Two-thirds of them can neither read nor write. This fact shows that the gate of knowledge and rational living is shut to millions, while the gate of superstition, with all its horrid specters that pass through, is wide open.—Rev. A. Bilkovsky, Universalist, Baltimore, Md.

Omaha's Mayor. Frank E. Moores, mayor of Omaha, Neb., visited police headquarters yesterday forenoon to inspect the workings of the police department, which he said he had learned was one of the most efficient in the country. Mayor Moores came to this city to take his daughter home. She graduated a few days ago from the Sacred Heart in Clifton.—Cincinnati, O., Commercial-Tribune, June 29.

A Chance for Spain. Nothing could be a greater blessing to Spain than to fall in this war. It means a renaissance for the Spanish people; it means education for the masses; it means civil liberty and stability of the Spanish government. This is a providential chance for Spain to emerge from the night of her long

sleep and keep step with the nations of the earth.—Rev. F. E. Bovard, Methodist, Alameda, Cal.

Why Is Rome to Be Feared.

Under this caption the Moravian speaks truly, seriously, and impressively as follows: "The answer is not far to seek, especially for Moravians acquainted with the history of their own church and its practical suppression in the home lands through the instrumentality of Jesuits and dragoons during and after the Thirty Years' War. It is because the Roman religion and ultramontane political tyranny have been demonstrated in the past to be inseparable wherever Rome attains the power. Through the confessional Rome has the means of compelling its laity to obey the priesthood. Nor has the pope abandoned the claim to sovereignty above all monarchical rulers and all governments of the people. Where it can, Rome curbs liberty. In Ecuador the constitution of 1862 said that 'nobody can be an elector, or elected, or occupy any state office who is not a member of the Catholic church.' In Germany, since 1873, Romanism has been the source of endless disturbance and trouble. The celebration of the jubilee of Canisius, the introducer of Jesuitism into Germany, is a declaration to the world of her desires, limited only by her ability to carry them out. As we love liberty, we Protestants must be on our guard against any encroachments at home."

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Notice of Incorporation. Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of June, 1898, Orrin C. Drake, David Rich and Edson Rich organized the Exposition Catering Company and adopted articles of incorporation, and filed the same according to the State of Nebraska, which said articles, among other things provided:— First. The name of the corporation to be the Exposition Catering Company. Second. The principal place of business to be Omaha, Nebraska. Third. The nature of the business to be that of conducting hotels and restaurants, also the purchasing and selling of food supplies or hotel and restaurant properties. Fourth. The capital stock of the said corporation shall be ten thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) each; all of said stock to be paid up at the commencement of the business. Fifth. That said corporation shall begin on the 22nd day of June, 1898, and continue for a period of one year. Sixth. The highest amount of indebtedness to which this corporation shall at any time subject itself shall not be more than two-thirds of its capital stock. DAVID RICH, Secretary.

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Attorney, Room 22 Patterson Block. In the matter of the estate of Charles E. Evans, deceased. Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the district court of Douglas County, Nebraska, William W. Kovas, Judge, made on the 13th day of November, 1897, licensing the sale of the real estate hereinafter described belonging to said estate, there will be sold at the north end of the court house, in said county, on the 25th day of July, 1898, at 10 o'clock, a. m. the following described real estate, to-wit: The East one-half (1/2) of lot eighteen, Pelham place, an addition to the city of Omaha, said county. Said sale will remain open one hour. E. STANFORD JESTER, Administrator of the Estate of Charles E. Evans, deceased.

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