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Important Events Expected.

The strict but proper secrecy which is maintained by the United States authorities concerning the orders to and the movements of our naval squadrons renders the situation, with respect to what is to be expected in the near future, uncertain.

The Tornado as a Destroyer.

A storm which swept over portions of three states Wednesday night caused the loss of more American lives in a single night than have been lost in all the fighting which has been done since the beginning of the war a month ago.

The Same Old Bluff.

One of the latest announcements from Spain concerning the Spanish plan of campaign in the Philippines, is slightly different from those preceding it.

Mr. Moore, of Texas, and West Virginia.

The late editor of the Charleston Gazette, whose libels of Senator Elkins have been filling the columns of the gazette for months past, and whose bitter factional reflections on Senator Faulkner have served to widen the breach in the West Virginia Democracy, was obliged to have his appointment as a paymaster in the army accredited to Texas.

ASTOUNDING ILLITERACY.

The illiteracy among the adults of North Carolina represents so large a percentage of the population that the newspapers of that state are frankly admitting the evil as one of the greatest drawbacks, and are discussing the remedy.

ADMIRAL SAMPSON.

The consequences of this condition of affairs are varied, and are not limited to those which directly follow the existing state of a large and unthinking, deep ignorance. Those belonging to it

for an office to be accredited to his own state, without consulting the representatives who have been the targets of the editor's abuse.

The incident is not without its points of interest. Editor Moore is not a bad fellow, those who know him say, and no doubt he is equipped to make a good paymaster in the volunteer army; but if he had exhibited as much talent for strategy in the publication of a political organ in West Virginia, as he has shown in getting a paymastership, he might have dared to frankly admit his West Virginia citizenship and received the hearty endorsement of the West Virginia statesmen, regardless of party and including, always, Mr. Faulkner, and have bagged even something better than a paymastership—perhaps a brigadier generalship, or something of other.

Unjust to Merritt.

We have called attention to the fact that during the late war General Westley Merritt was one of the three officers who reported on Colonel Alger as being somewhat difficult in the face of the enemy at Chancellorsville. Now Alger is the superior, by the turn of politics, and he sends General Merritt with a probably insufficient force to far away in the China sea, where the duties are arduous and hazardous and there is no opportunity for glory or generalship and where a much less valuable and capable officer than General Merritt would probably serve the purposes as well. This is an old score between these two men ever settled—Register.

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Our Artillery at Tampa.

Very few people realize that to-day artillery is the most effective and important branch of the military service, and that it promises to develop more novel features in warfare and strategic values than either cavalry or infantry. It will accordingly be one of the most interesting points of the coming struggle in Cuba to study the condition and strength of the United States artillery. We have now at Tampa about seven hundred artillerymen, in charge of sixty field guns, and a picture of their camp is printed to-day, re-produced from an illustration in Harper's Weekly.

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