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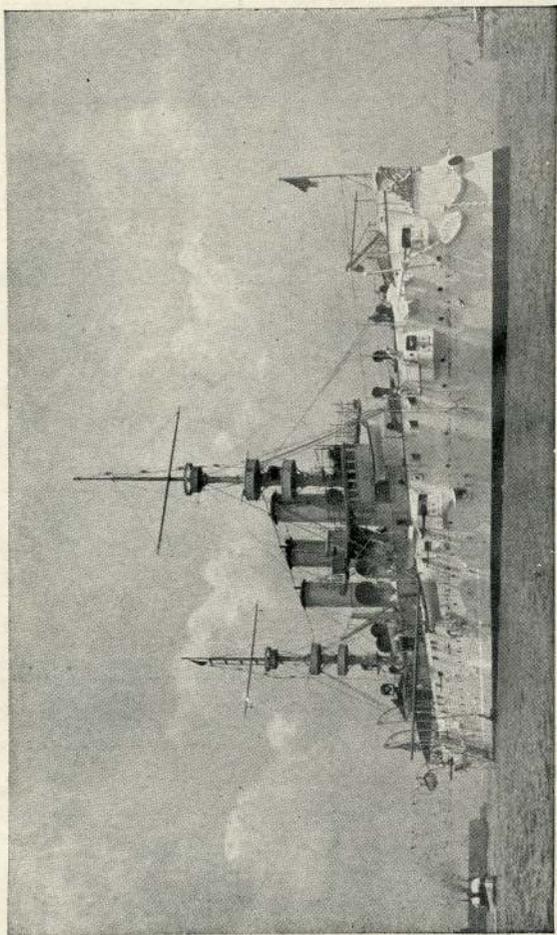
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The subject of this sketch was born in Morgantown, West Virginia, February 28, 1844. On his father's side he came of Pennsylvania and New Jersey stock; on his mother's side he is a descendant of Col. John Evans. Col. Evans served as county lieutenant under the colonial governors of Virginia, and leaving Fairfax county in 1768 he came to Monongalia county. Captain Chadwick on his mother's side is related to many of the prominent and well known families of the State, among others to the Strothers, Slaughters, Taylors and Pendletons.

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Leaving London he took command of the Yorktown, then serving in the Mediterranean and Gulf of Mexico as one of the "White Squadron," under Admiral Walker. After being detached from the command he spent some time as a member of the Board on Organization of Labor at the navy yard, was appointed Chief Intelligence Officer in 1872, and on July 2, 1893, succeeded Dewey as Chief of the Bureau of Equipment. It was in November, 1867, that he was placed in command of the U. S. S. New York, the flagship of Admiral Sampson, then in command of the North Atlantic Station.

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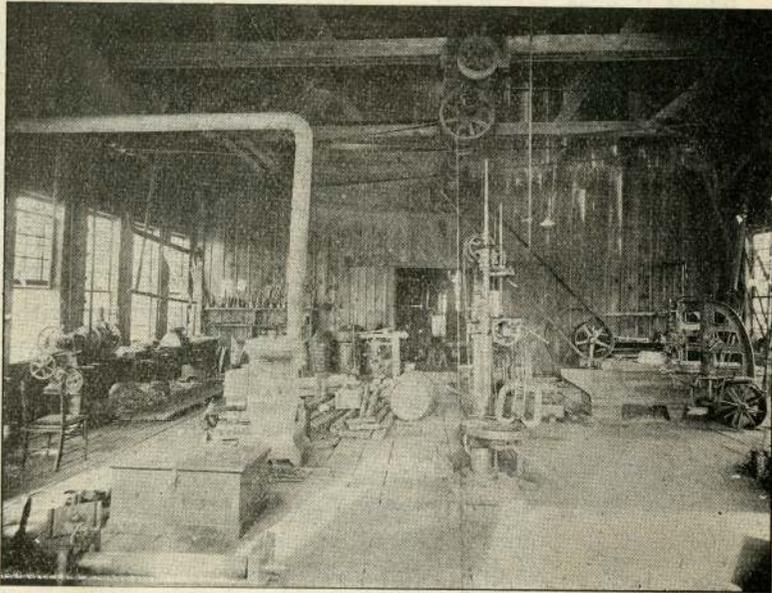
In addition to his duty as commanding officer, Captain Chadwick was appointed Chief of Staff and has so served to this date.

The following interesting particulars of the movements of the New York will be read with interest as they come from Captain Chadwick himself:

The New York was in all the more important actions in the Caribbean. On the 3rd of July, having started to enable the Admiral to arrange some concerted action with General Shafter, she was, when the Spanish ships came out, four miles on her way to Siboney, which was six miles east of the flag-ship's usual position. She was thus only able to get within gunshot of the torpedo boats before the most of the Spanish ships were driven ashore and then joined in the chase of the Colon. She was doing a good four knots faster than the Colon when she turned in and hauled down her colors, so that with such speed there was no chance for her escape. The New York pushed the Colon into shoal water before she sank, so that she might not sink in water so deep as to render any attempt at raising her, hopeless. Her captain, Moreu, who was taken on board the New York, said next day at luncheon: "This ends the war," and so it did; with her only good ships destroyed, Spain recognized the hopelessness of continuing the contest.

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narrow channel before the firing began; it was clearly evident that they would have to turn back, and this after a short time they did under an apparently murderous fire, but with not a man injured, though the New York launch had 14 shotholes in her, and one marine in the Massachusetts's launch had his musket knocked from his grasp by a shot, there being besides a number of injuries to the boat.



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Secretary Long says of him: "There is no man more thoroughly trusted by the Department and by all fellow-officers in the navy than Admiral Sampson." It has been said of him that he is the most highly educated man in the navy.

Admiral Sampson was born in 1840, of poor parentage, in the central part of New York State. Here among the green hills he spent his boyhood days, availing himself of the few opportunities that were thrown around him for self advancement. He has seen service in two wars—the Civil and Spanish-American—and has rendered excellent service to his country in both. But he, like others, was practically unknown until after the war with Spain.

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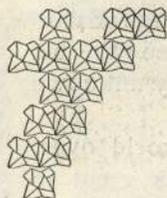


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Dewey was born in Montpelier, Vermont, December 26, 1837. Was graduated from the Naval Academy in 1858. He was with Faragut in the civil war and from him, no doubt, caught the inspiration which has placed him among the greatest naval heroes of the world.

On account of his great victory, Secretary Long sent the following cablegram:

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 7, 1898.

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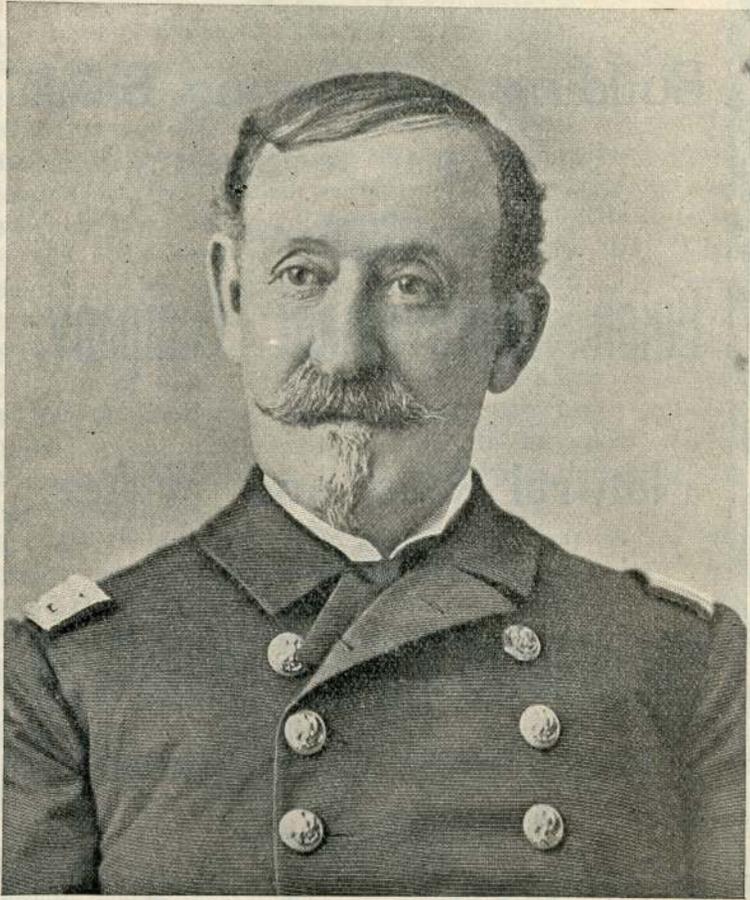
"The President, in the name of the American people, thanks you and your officers and men for your splendid achievement and overwhelming victory.

"In recognition he has appointed you Acting Admiral, and will recommend a vote of thanks to you by Congress."

On March 3, 1899 he was commissioned Admiral. His home coming, a year and a half after destroying the Spanish fleet, was one of the greatest ovations ever given a conquering hero by his fellow countrymen.

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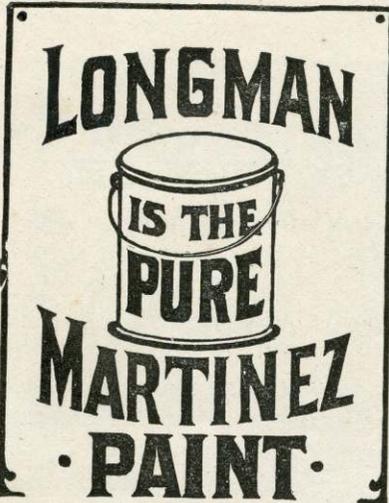
Admiral Schley is a native of Maryland, and a graduate of the Naval Academy. He, like Dewey, saw service under the great Faragut during the Civil War. He has spent much time cruising in foreign waters and has proved himself equal to every emergency.

The Admiral is noted for his kind heartedness, gentlemanly manners and generosity. The latter character of him was well illustrated just after the naval battle at Santiago. When asked concerning to whom the glory was due, his reply was — "There is glory enough in it for all."

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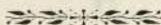
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