

THE MANILA VICTORY

**Spanish Troops Said to Have
Evacuated the Capital of
the Philippines.**

**DISPATCHES SENT TO
ADMIRAL DEWEY.**

**The Gunboat Hugh McCulloch Leaves
Hongkong with Instructions
from Washington.**

**Spaniards to be Asked to Accept a
Temporary Protectorate of the
United States.**

An unconfirmed report from Madrid says that the victory of Admiral Dewey at Manila has been made complete by the retirement of the Spanish troops from the city.

The gunboat Hugh McCulloch left Hongkong yesterday for Manila with important dispatches from Washington. It is understood that Admiral Dewey will insist upon the Spaniards accepting a temporary protectorate of the United States, in order to avoid disturbing the present administration of the islands, as the Philippine insurgents are considered unfit for self-government. If the Spaniards will not consent to the arrangement, it is believed that the Admiral will take steps to administer the Government of the islands for the United States as soon as he receives the necessary troops and supplies from San Francisco.

The detailed description of the naval engagement at Manila does not differ materially from the accounts already published.