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HAVANA IS BLOCKADED.

Spanish Steamer Captured

SEVERAL U. S. SHIPS FIRED AT

Their Position Not Very Safe—Hard to Manoeuvre the Ships.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

ON BOARD THE FLAG-SHIP NEW YORK, HAVANA, April 23, 2 a. m.—Morro Castle opened fire on the fighting squadron of the United States at 11 o'clock last night. About ten shots were fired in the direction of the American ships, but none of them took effect, and no shots were fired in return. The Spaniards had apparently been signalling to a ship of the squadron.

Yesterday the Spanish steamer Pedro was captured. She is a rich prize.

LATER.

The steamer Rimies was boarded by an American ship. The Rimies was flying the German flag, and was from Havana to Santiago de Cuba with a ballast. The commander said he knew nothing of the war having been declared and he was allowed to go free.

CENSORSHIP ESTABLISHED

at the U. S. Government At Key West.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

WASHINGTON, April 25.—A censorship has been established by the United States Government at Key West, Florida, and from this all code telegrams to and from Cuba are forbidden.

TAKING NOTES

A Canadian goes to Cuba to take notes for the British.

KINGSTON, April 23.—At noon yesterday Captain Lee, of the Royal Military college, left for Cuba in the interests of the English army. He will follow the land forces and report any new tactics of war during the Spanish American conflict. Captain Lee is well qualified for the duties assigned him, and will prove an efficient correspondent for Great Britain's secret service staff.

Washington Notes.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Secretary Long has laid down a hard and fast rule forbidding information concerning the fleet's movements.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—A note to the powers is in preparation defining our attitude as to privateering and commercial phases of the war.

Weather Probabilities

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HOW ABOUT THE OREGON.

Fears for Her Safety.

HAS NOT BEEN HEARD FROM

Since Leaving Callo Over a Fort-night Ago.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The battleship Oregon, now on her way to Key West from San Francisco, is the subject of concern on the part of the naval officials who, while confident that the big gunner can care for herself should she meet a small Spanish fleet, would much prefer that she were with Captain Sampson's command than to leave her pass through waters which within two weeks, may be patrolled by Spanish war vessels.

Nothing has been heard from the Oregon since she sailed from Callao on April 9, and nothing is expected to be received from her for a week, and perhaps longer.

Under ordinary steam, and if no heavy weather was encountered in the south Pacific, it is estimated by her former commander, Captain Barker, that she should now be in the straits of Magellan, and probably at Sandy Point, the midway station, where coal is taken and a brief stop generally made by all vessels for water.

From the straits to Montevideo is almost the week's run, and, unless the Oregon has orders to stop in there and await instructions, she may not be reported until Rio or Bahia is reached. In the River Platte a Spanish torpedo boat is laying for the Oregon, but, unless caught unexpectedly, it is not believed the little craft could harm the big one.

The authorities are not disposed to hold the Oregon south, but want her with the fleet as soon as she can reach it, and may send the fleet to meet her. The Spanish torpedo flotilla would be exceedingly dangerous for the Oregon, it is pointed out. There is not the slightest fear of the big battleship not protecting herself from two vessels like the Vizcaya and Oquendo, but it is that little torpedo flotilla that would give her most trouble.

WOODFORD ON THE WAY HOME.

Protected by Spanish Court-Guards.

BOYONNE, France, April 22.—The farewell of the United States minister to Spain, General Stewart L. Woodford, was made with the dignity he displayed throughout the crisis. When asked if he had anything to say, he simply raised his hat and said, "Good-bye."

The Segovia incident was comparatively unimportant. The students of the military school in full uniform packed the depot. They were silent until the train started, then there was an enthusiastic outburst of cheering for Spain and Cuba.

The Valladolid affair, however, threatened to be quite serious. Thousands of excited people attempted to invade the railroad cars, but twenty civil guards, who accompanied the train, were compelled to form in front of General Woodford's carriage with drawn swords, while civil guards of the local force were on hand in case of necessity.

A MOVEMENT WILL BE MADE

On Matanzas To-morrow

SPECULATION AS TO THE PLAN

To be Pursued by U. S. Fleet—No Action Expected for a While.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

The commander the United States fleet says he will not report the blockade to the Secretary of the navy until it is thoroughly established. This, it is likely, will be tomorrow.

The entire plan of action here is fraught with danger not so much from Spanish guns as from the difficulties of manoeuvring a large squadron at night without showing any lights to the enemy on shore.

Speculation is rife as to what Spaniards are doing and as to what they intend to do. It is not believed that Admiral Simpson will confine himself entirely to a blockade of the Island although he says he does not expect any action to occur in the immediate future. It is certain, however, that some movement will be made on Matanzas, probably tomorrow. Whether this will be simply in the nature of a blockade or for the purpose of securing a base of supplies cannot yet be ascertained with any degree of assurance.

MORE PRIZES GAINED.

Several Captures Made by United States Ships.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

KEY WEST, April 25.—Still another prize was brought in here on Saturday by the United States gunboat Helena. She turned out to be the Spanish steamer Miguel Jobe, bound from New Orleans for Barcelona with a cargo amounting to about 2000 tons of cotton and staves. She has a crew of 52 men and the prize is estimated of the value \$100,000. Her cargo alone is worth \$150,000. She belonged to the Ponillo Line of Barcelona.

MOBILE, Ala., April 25.—The Spanish steamer La Oumirra, from South America, arrived at Ship Island Miss., on Friday for cargo and on Saturday afternoon collector Burke of Mobile despatched the cutter Winona to the Island to capture her.

KEY WEST, April 25.—The Trans-Atlantic steamer Catalina was captured yesterday 12 miles from Havana by the cruiser Detroit and has arrived here under a prize crew.

MOBILE, April 25.—A special from Biloxe, Miss., says: The revenue cutter Winona from Mobile, captured the Spanish steamer Saturna at Ship Island, Miss., yesterday, but will likely have to remain in quarantine with her prize until the time of the quarantine detention is out, tomorrow or next day.

SPAIN WILL DECLARE WAR.

Formal Declaration to be Delivered to the United States.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

LONDON, April 25.—It is announced in a despatch from Madrid that Spain may formally declare war against the United States as a result of the capture of the Spanish steamer Buena Ventura.

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GENERAL GAS-GOYNE RESIGNS.

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GREW OUT OF STRATHEY CASE.

The Government Trying to Secure Colonel McPherson.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

OTAWA, April 25.—The long series of difficulties in connection with the Canadian Military administration culminated on Friday with a notification from General Gascoigne of his desire to withdraw from the command of the Canadian militia.

On Saturday, Minister Borden accepted the resignation. So far as the Canadian Government is concerned in the matter the retirement will take effect almost at once. The event has been imminent for some time and it is understood that the Minister of Militia has been trying to secure service of Colonel McPherson, a Scottish officer, believed to possess particular qualifications. It is believed the particular case of friction which brought about the retirement of Commander is that of Colonel Strathey. The Minister is disposed to allow Strathey to retain his rank on retirement, but the general wast was determined that this should not be done.

ANOTHER PRIZE CAPTURED.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The fleet captured another prize yesterday afternoon, the schooner Mathilda, of Havana.

PROSPECTS OF THE WAR

LONDON, April 23.—The Daily Graphic yesterday printed a long letter from a naval officer, who says both Porto Rico and Havana ought to be able to hold their own against an attack until supported by ships. The United States will be forced to blockade both of these islands, and this, the author of the letter thinks, will occupy that nation's entire fleet, thus leaving Spaniards free to bombard the coast of the United States.

Again, the letter says, Spain is strong enough to defeat either of the blockading fleets which the United States is able to assemble about Cuba and Porto Rico.

In conclusion the writer thinks that the ships of the Indiana class are so prodigiously over-gunned that they are likely to sink themselves.

An editorial in the Chronicle expressed the opinion that the United States fleet was throwing away an excellent strategic opportunity by going to Cuba instead of intercepting the Spanish fleet.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE STATES.

Denounced by a French Paper.

PARIS, April 23.—The Libre Parole today published a violent article attacking Great Britain's attitude towards Spain, and characterizes Great Britain as the "hypocritical accomplice of the United States." It says: "Their alliance is ignominy; but perhaps it is just as well that they should work together, for there will be a day when they will be called to account by international justice, and that day the British leech will be forced to disgorge, and Europe will no longer tolerate the disgrace of allowing the law to be laid down by such assassins and malefactors."

Gift of a Yacht.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Augustus Schermerhorn, of New York city, has given his fine yacht, the Free Lance, to the government. It has been accepted with thanks.

Contraband of War.

LONDON, April 23.—The attorney-general, Sir Richard Webster, replying to questions in the house of commons yesterday said that so far as the government knew, no agreement has been reached by the signatories of the declaration of Paris as to whether coal and liquid fuel were contraband of war. He added that if it was decided that they were contraband, it would not be lawful for neutrals to supply quelligents at sea.

Four of the Island students at McGill University arrived home on Saturday night viz: Cyrus McMillan and William Newson, of Charlottetown, Samuel Willis, of Kingston, and W Hardy, of Alberton.

During the war you can buy the Halifax Herald at Haszard & Moores, Sunnyside, this paper will contain the very latest war news, and will be on sale on the evenings of publication.

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