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THE FIRST BOMBARDMENT.

Matanzas Harbor Attacked

THE NEW YORK, PURITAN AND CINCINNATI

Open Fire on the Forts—No Lives Lost on Ships.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

ON BOARD THE FLAGSHIP NEW YORK, off MATANZAS, April 27, 2 p. m.—The United States flagship New York, together with the monitor Puritan and the Cincinnati fired the first shots of war, this afternoon, when they began a bombardment of forts at the mouth of Matanzas harbor. Not a casualty occurred on board the American ships, although the forts returned their fire; but it is thought that the Spaniards must have suffered loss of life, owing to the hail of iron that was poured in from the ships' guns. But as to this nothing is known definitely.

The engagement commenced at 12.57 and ceased at 1.15. The object of the attack was to prevent the completion of earthworks at Punta Corda.

A battery on the eastern arm of the bay opened fire on the flagship, and this battery was also shelled. About twelve eight inch shells were fired from the eastern forts, but all fell short. About five or six eight inch shells were fired from the half completed battery. Two of them whizzed over the New York and one fell short.

In the neighborhood of 200 shots were put on land from the three ships, at a range of from four thousand to seven thousand yards. The half-completed earthworks and battery were apparently all ploughed up by the shells.

The flagship returned to Havana and the Puritan and Cincinnati were left on the Matanzas station.

OFF FOR MANILLA.

The Spanish Admiral will Probably Fight.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

HONG KONG, April 28.—The United States squadron has sailed with decks cleared for action to attack Manila. It is reported that the Spanish admiral has put to sea to give battle.

Spanish Intentions.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The naval officials have noted with some disquiet the fact that the Spanish fleet at Cape Verde, before leaving under orders from the Portuguese government made heavy purchases of supplies there. These were of the most varied description, such as medicine and miscellaneous goods for which, in ordinary times, the fleet could as easily have waited until it reached a Spanish port. Therefore, it is suspected that the purchases show a purpose on the part of the Spanish admiral to start on a long cruise.

Weather Probabilities

As we told you the rain desend—what about your

Waterproof

--- Coat

W. D. McKay

THE BARGAIN CORNER.

THE SITUATION AT PRESENT.

Blockade to Continue.

WILL NOT DRAW OFF SHIPS

To Defend Coast Cities—So Say the Authorities.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

WASHINGTON, April 28.—The war situation is substantially this: The blockading squadron remains passive before Havana, with no present purpose of bombardment or of drawing the fire of the shore batteries.

The strategic purpose of an effective blockade of the Cuban capital is being accomplished to the entire satisfaction of the authorities here.

There is no indication that any part of the fleet will be withdrawn for the purpose of affording additional protection to the North Atlantic ports.

As to the report of a naval battle off the Philippine Islands, the naval authorities here seriously doubt whether the Spanish fleet will make a stand against the American ships. There is no certainty that there will be an engagement at all in the near future, the main purpose of the American expedition being to seize and hold some Spanish territory in the Philippines as a base of operations in Asiatic waters. It is thought possible that this can be done without attacking at all, by seizing a suitable port on some of the adjacent islands without fortifications, the sympathies of whose inhabitants are towards insurgents.

MADRID IS UNMOVED.

Expectant of a Naval Battle at the Philippines.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

MADRID, April 28.—This city is absolutely unmoved. The capture of the American vessel Saranic by a Spanish gun boat, near Manila, caused a momentary excitement but the town is expectant of the result of an action likely to occur off the Philippines and await the outcome with perfect confidence.

SPANISH CONSUL GENERAL.

Sails for Madrid via the Steamer Gallia.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

ST JOHN, N. B., April 28.—The late Spanish Consul General at New York and his daughter arrived in this city yesterday, and they left on the steamer Gallia, for Liverpool, en route for Madrid.

"On to Havana," and "Remember the Maine," appear to be Uncle Sam's watchwords.

CRUISER AT EASTPORT.

The U. S. Minneapolis

IS NOW THERE ON THE LOOK OUT.

For Expected Spanish Vessels Coming Out.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

ST. JOHN, N. B., April 28.—The arrival at Eastport, of the United States cruiser Minneapolis and the report that she sails for Cape Sable today leads people to the belief that she is on the lookout for two Spanish steamers that are due here within the next few days.

LATER DESPATCH

A PRIZE CAPTURED

By the U. S. Monitor Terror.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

KEY WEST, April 28.—The Monitor Terror has just secured a rich prize by capturing the Spanish steamer Guido carrying a valuable cargo, as well as having a supply of provisions and money on board.

Lumber Trade Affected.

(Special to the Halifax Herald.)

WYOMOUTH, N. S., April 26.—The outbreak of war between United States and Spain will cause great loss to our traders here. Large quantities of lumber wood and piling are on our wharves ready for shipment. Your correspondent interviewed several of our shippers, and they say that not a cargo can be sold in United States today. Vessels just returning from the American coast report that it was impossible to sell in Brooklyn, and they were obliged to call at different ports along the coast, and where a sale was made \$1.40 a cord for soft wood was all they received. Our shippers paid \$1.25 and \$1.50 per cord for this wood all winter, which means a great loss on recent shipments and a lot on their hands impossible to get a market for.

A large number of Canadians returned from Boston on Saturday. They say that others are coming home. They report the excitement at Boston, over the expected bombardment of the city by the Spanish fleet, is at fever heat, and the people are anxious to get away.

Mr. Balfour's Opinions.

LONDON, April 27.—Mr. Balfour, replying in the House of Commons yesterday to questions respecting interference with cables, pointed out that articles 15 of the Paris convention of 1884, to which Great Britain, Spain and the United States were parties, provided that belligerents in time of war were free to act with regard to cables, as if the convention did not exist. "I am not prepared," said Mr. Balfour, "to deny that the governments, on ground of military exigencies, would be justified in interfering with the cables between the territory of an opposing power and another part of the world."

Canadian Regiment.

CHICAGO, April 27.—A meeting of Canadians in this city has been called to form a regiment to go to Cuba.

Many People

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THE PARLIAMENT OF CANADA.

The Postmaster at Peake's

STILL AT THE FRANCHISE BILL.

Amendments Discussed—The Election in Bagot.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

OTTAWA, April 28.—In the House of Commons yesterday Hon. Mr. Mulock said that Allau McDonald had been removed from the postmastership of Peake's Station, P. E. Island, for active partisanship. His successor was recommended by Mr. Robertson.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier informed Hon. Mr. Foster that the Government had taken no steps to bring on an election in Bagot.

The Franchise debate was then resumed by Mr. Davin who was then followed by Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper. During the afternoon and evening the discussion was on the proposed amendment to subsection a. clause 5, of the Franchise Bill which amendment provides for an appeal from the revisions of sheriff to a judge.

At 12.35, sub-section a. clause 5, passed committee which then rose and the House adjourned.

EUROPEAN INTERVENTION.

French Minister Thinks it May Occur.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

WASHINGTON, April 28.—The French Minister has intimated to the associated press that he expects European intervention in the war between the United States and Spain.

The blockading squadron off Cuba will continue a pacific policy and will not draw the fire of the shore batteries.

At the Philippines no great resistance is anticipated.

MEN-OF-WAR AT PRACTICE.

Great Marksmanship of the Sailors.

FORT MONROE, Va., April 27.—Yesterday morning all of the big war vessels cleared for action and engaged in sub-calibre practice. In the afternoon the sub-calibre practice was continued by the flagship. The remarkable marksmanship of the men at the guns is a matter of much comment by the officers. Eight ten inch targets at a thousand yards, bobbing up and down on a rolling sea, were demolished by sub-calibre shots in no time. The gunboat Alliance, with its crew of two hundred apprentice boys, went to sea this afternoon. It is supposed that she has merely gone to sea for practice. The guard boats of the squadron worked in a heavy sea last night and in nasty weather. The blockade was enforced rigidly by the combined forces of the boats of the army engineers at Fort Monroe and the squadron launches.

The British Empire

The Boston Globe remarks that at the present moment, the British empire is 53 times the size of France, 52 times that of Germany, three and a half times that of the United States of America, and thrice the size of Europe, with treble the population of all the Russias. It extends over 11,000,000 square miles, occupies one fifth of the human race, or 350,000,000 people, embraces four continents, 10,000 islands, 500 promontories and 2000 rivers. Such power would not be a despicable at all in time of war, as the Spanish and their sympathizers probably realize.

Britain on the Watch.

LONDON, April 27.—Six British warships, it is reported at Kingston, Jamaica, will patrol the seas in the neighborhood of Cuba during the hostilities between the United States and Spain. The correspondent of the Times at Kingston says the British cruiser Talbot has been ordered to proceed to Havana.

Offer for a Whole Navy.

LONDON, April 27.—According to the special despatches from Athens, the Greek newspapers declare that the United States made an offer of \$2,000,000 for the entire Greek navy.

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