

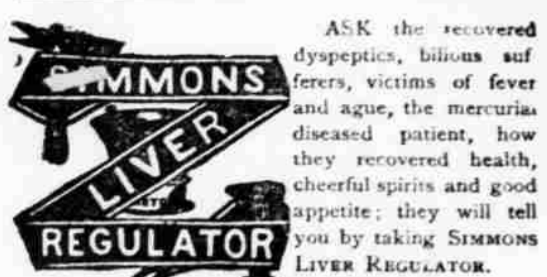
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## GUN BOAT IN NORTH RIVER

Sighted Last Night By Captain and Crew Of Str. Harbinger.

Capt. H. M. Ballance brought his steam vessel, the Harbinger, into port yesterday from Norfolk, and reports passing a large United States war ship at the mouth of North River. Captain Ballance says that he put his wheel to port and passed quite close to the vessel, trying to find out what kind of craft it was. He reports that the vessel, twice as large as the Neuse, was painted white (?) and her big guns and fighting-tops made her look quite formidable. There was great activity on board, and several tugs and small steamers were anchored at her stern.

A glance at the map will show that this vessel is stationed at a point of great strategic importance to our harbor, guarding the approaches to Norfolk, Elizabeth City, New Bern and other cities from Oregon Inlet. Probably the report of a Spanish craft's sounding the Inlet last week led the authorities to take steps to protect us. Capt. Ballance passed the vessel in the night, so he may have mistaken her gray paint for white. We all feel safer for the protection from the mysterious Spanish vessel that threatened us last week.

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**The Mexican War In A Nut Shell.** The whole number of men in the war with Mexico was 101,282, including regulars and volunteers. The war lasted about two years. Some pretty lively fights were made, notably Resaca de la Palma, Buena Vista and the assaults of Chapultepec and other outworks of the Mexican capital. Yet the casualties were comparatively trifling. Killed in battle, 10,499; died of wounds, 5,081; total, 15,580. Less by about 100 than the Federal loss at the battle of Chickamauga.

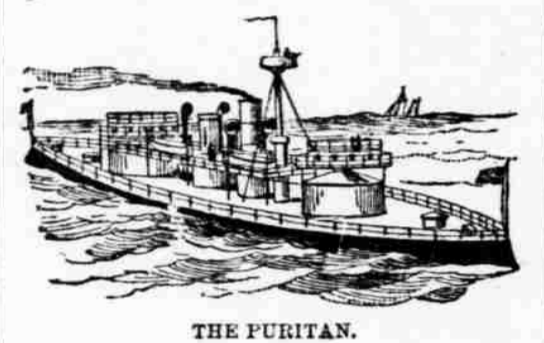
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## DESTROYS SPANISH FORTS.

Matanzas Bombarded by Sampson's Fleet.

Three Ships Silence The Forts in 18 Minutes.

Board Flagship New York, April 27.—Sampson's fleet after noon bombardment, silenced and pretty well destroyed Spanish batteries at the entrance to Matanzas harbor with the flagship New York, monitor Puritan and cruiser Cincinnati. The Spanish gunners were wild, they failed to strike any of the American ships. While our boats were reconnoitering for the purpose of locating and destroying formidable defences being constructed, the flagship New York was fired on by batteries from Pointe Rubalcaya and Pointe Mayo, guarding entrance to harbor.



THE PURITAN.

The New York replied with a forward eight inch gun under boom. She steamed boldly toward the batteries and fired broadside. The Puritan steamed behind the New York, engaged with the fortifications at Pointe Mayo, while the New York went to starboard close up to land and poured shells into Rubalcaya. The Cincinnati, remaining astern under orders, signalled for permission to engage and received it. She was soon firing guns at the fort on the west side of the bay. The batteries fired explosive shells, most of them falling wide of the mark. One burst just beyond the New York and sharply exploded about her. The three ships silenced the forts in eighteen minutes. The last shot that was fired by the enemy came from Pointe Rubalcaya; monitor Puritan replied with one of her twelve inch guns. The shell struck the latter with wonderful accuracy and blew up a portion of it. After waiting in vain for the Spaniards to renew the engagement the ships withdrew, leaving the forts ruined. When Sampson left cruising ground today to visit Matanzas Cardenas, he made up his mind that something had to be done with these very aggressive Spanish artillerymen manning batteries out that way; they had twice fired on torpedo boat Foote, were busy erecting fortifications and placing guns at Matanzas, and the Cincinnati a slightly greater distance. Firing soon became general, marksmanship of gunners perfect. Though a long distance, about 4,000 yards between boats and batteries, nearly all the shells fell within the fortifications. The New York reduced her range to 3,000 yards, tossed three shells a minute into Rubalcaya. The Cincinnati steamed broadside and began to let fly her best. The shot fired by the Puritan struck the square gun of the battery causing great destruction. The New York returned to her blockade leaving the Puritan and Cincinnati guarding the blockade. The ships fired eighty six shots, the arts about 25. The conclusion drawn from the result is that Havana is absolutely at the mercy of Sampson's fleet. Loss of life supposed heavy.

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## PREPARING TO INVADE CUBA.

Will Make a Naval Demonstration On Havana.

Will Land 2,000 Marines Under Fire.

Washington, April 27.—The President, Secretary Alger and General Miles, will confer today to arrange plans for the invasion of Cuba. It is proposed to make a naval demonstration on Havana and land 2,000 marines under fire. The insurgents will cooperate.

Washington, April 27.—General Miles and the Cuban representatives conferred today over plans of operation. The Cubans here arranged for Lieut. Rowan's safe conduct in insurgent camps.

**Report Laughed At.** Washington, D. C., April 28.—Replying to dispatches from London to the effect that Madrid had received official notification from here that Havana is not to be bombarded, is laughed at. The governments of the U. S., and Spain being not on speaking terms make such a statement absurd.

**Str. Guido Captured.** Washington, D. C., April 28.—The Navy department believed that Matanzas will be made the basis for operations bombardment of Havana.

**Pilot House Shot Away and a Member Of Crew Injured.** Key West, April 28. The Terror last night captured the Spanish Steamer Guido, after firing two solid shots. The Guido is of 750 tonnage and loaded with supplies.

LATER, Guido had pilot house shot off, wounding a member of her crew, was hit several times. Put out her lights while endeavoring to escape.

**SMOKE STACK SHOT AWAY.** London, April 27.—Havana dispatch says an American torpedo boat destroyer fired on the Spanish Gun boat Lijera at Cardenas, shooting away her smoke stack. The destroyer returned slightly damaged.

**Still At St. Vincent.** St. Vincent, April 28.—Spanish squadron still here.

**Purchasing Torpedoes.** Vienna, April 28.—The United States has purchased sixty torpedoes which were ordered by Brazil. Sale made with the consent of Brazilian government. Thirty has already been shipped.

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## Tried To Run The Blockade.

A Shot From The Terror Captures Another Spaniard.

Key West, April 27. Late last night the Spanish steamer Abolivar, over one hundred and twenty tons, tried to run the blockade. The Terror fired a small shot across her bow, bringing her to. The prize crew from the Detroit was put aboard and the steamer brought to this port this morning.

**WILL STARVE 'EM OUT.** General Lee Claims The Blockade will Starve Out the Spanish Army.

Richmond, April 27. Gen. Lee is here and awaiting orders from Washington. He said the Spanish Army in Cuba would be starved out by the blockade without the necessity of sending troops.

**Portugal An Ally.** London, April 28.—Special from Lisbon declares that McKinley has sent a note to Portugal threatening her as an ally to Spain if she does not dismiss the Spanish fleet from Cape Verde. Portugal replied, only forbidding the transmission of news between warships. The announcement has caused a sensation here as indicating Portugal's ally to Spain.

Washington, D. C., April 28.—Portuguese minister called at the State department this morning and said no word had been received from his government.

**Lee And Sigbee Challenged.** Lieutenant Ramon de Carranza, of the Spanish Royal Navy, until recently Naval Attaché of the Spanish Legation at Washington, has challenged General Fitzhugh Lee and Captain Sigbee, of the Maine, to fight duels. The challenges were issued on the night that the Spanish Minister withdrew from Washington.

Lieutenant De Carranza had determined upon this course of action immediately after General Lee and Captain Sigbee stated before the Congressional Committee, that in their belief Spanish Naval officers were responsible for the blowing up of the Maine.

**PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS.** Washington, April 26. The President sent the following nominations to the Senate today: William R. Day, of Ohio, to be Secretary of State, vice John Sherman, resigned. John B. Moore, of New York, to be assistant Secretary of State, vice William R. Day, nominated to be Secretary of State.

John Sherman made his exit from public life modestly at the close of the Cabinet meeting today, after an almost continuous public service for forty years.

Mr. Sherman was at the White House at 11 o'clock, and sat as usual at the Cabinet table. After the meeting it was announced that the proclamation regarding Spanish vessels in American harbors, would be issued this afternoon. It will be countersigned by Secretary Sherman, which will be probably his last important act.

None of the Cabinet members would discuss the closing scenes in Sherman's official life in the Cabinet chamber.

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**Uncle Sam Warns Hayti.** Port Au Prince, April 28.—Attack by Spain feared. The United States has warned Hayti not to shelter Spanish ships.

## ORDERED TO TAKE THE PHILLIPPINES.

Commander Dewey of the Asiatic Squadron, Will Take the Islands.

The Spanish Squadron Sails To Meet The Asiatic Fleet.

Hong Kong, April 27. Commander Dewey, of the Asiatic Squadron has been ordered to take the Philippines to-day.

Madrid, April 27. The government has received a telegram from Commander Montonzi, announcing that the Spanish Squadron has left Manila, to take a position in readiness to meet the American Asiatic Fleet coming from Hong Kong.

**PLAN OF NAVAL CAMPAIGN.** Sampson's Fleet Can Lie in Mariano Bay to Bombard or Menace Havana.

The plan of campaign in Cuban waters decided upon by the officers of the United States fleet is as follows:

The battleships and monitors are to run into Mariano, seven miles west of Morro Castle, with an easy gun range of Havana. The bay of Mariano, it is shown from soundings made on the boat Triton, has "no bottom." The whole fleet can lie there to menace or bombard Havana without the Spaniards being able to fire a shot from modern guns in return. There is nothing but the batteries of Reina and Castello in sight of the bay. The modern guns of Morro cannot train upon it. From the bay the modern batteries lie about northeast. Their guns cannot train back more than northwest. The mortar batteries of Vedado alone are effective. It is an even question if they can be trained far enough around the west end to the south. The practice of these guns several weeks ago was so bad that it was then seen that their shots would probably do more damage to the town of Mariano and its fort than to the hostile fleet. In short, by putting this fleet in Mariano Bay, Sampson will have Havana at his mercy.

He may do this without waiting for infantry support on land. If Blanco makes the suicidal refusal to surrender it is his own fault.

By the above Havana can be taken without firing a shot, if Blanco does not determine to fight.

The plan of campaign was adopted at a conference of the commanding officers of the fleet on board the flagship New York.

**Congress will not Adjourn.** Washington, April 28.—Congress has decided to sit during the war.



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## CAPT. WM. T. SAMPSON.

Career of the Naval Officer Now in Command of the Fleet to Blockade Havana.

Capt. William T. Sampson, commander of the fleet at Key West, has been mentioned daily in the newspapers for two months past, for before he succeeded Rear Admiral Seward he was president of the court of inquiry into the Maine disaster.

His career is another of the many stories of poor boys who have risen to high station. Born at Palmyra, N. Y., February 9, 1840, his father was a laborer, and his education was kept up by conning such text books as were in his possession at times



CAPTAIN SAMPSON.

when not assisting in cutting and piling wood or performing some similar labor. His attendance at the county schools was intermittent, but his ambition to learn was in no way thwarted by circumstances.

Through Representative E. B. Morgan young Sampson was, in 1857, appointed a midshipman in the United States Naval Academy. After four years at Annapolis he graduated first in his class.

His conduct, however, as master on the frigate Potomac, won him promotion to the rank of second lieutenant in the summer of 1862. While holding this commission he served on the Practice ship John Adams, and on the steam frigate Colorado, flagship of the European squadron.

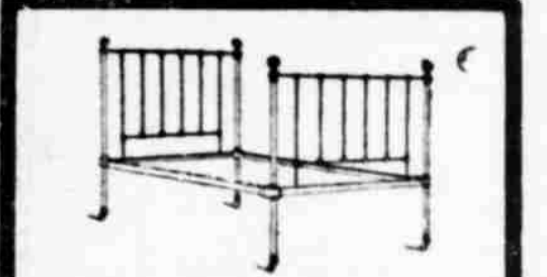
On January 16, 1865, Lieutenant Sampson, being executive officer on the monitor Patapsco, was ordered by the admiral of the fleet to enter Charleston harbor, before which the Union ships were doing blockade duty, and remove or destroy all sub-marine mines and torpedoes with which the city was protected from invasion. The task was a most dangerous one. After a terrible fire from shore there followed an ominous calm and then a mighty explosion as the boat was lifted into the air. Surrounded by huriling masses of water and sheets of flame, other explosions followed, after which the shattered ironclad settled down beneath the waves.

The young officer was rescued about a hundred feet from the sunken wreck, where he had been blown. Twenty five of his crew were being saved at the same time, but seventy men met their death in the sunken ironclad.

Captain Sampson was promoted to lieutenant-commander in 1866, while on the Colorado. He was at the Naval Academy from 1868 to 1871, and on the Congress in 1872-3. Having been made commander in 1874, he was assigned to the Alert, and from early in 1876 to the end of 1878 he was again at the Naval Academy. In 1879 he was in China, commanding the Swatara. The Iowa was first commanded by him, and the San Francisco was at one time his charge.

His lectures on torpedo work before the Naval War College, at Newport, produced a fine impression, and his device of double-deck or superposed turrets, which with Lieut. Joseph Strauss, he perfected, and which await trial on the new battleships Kearsarge and Kentucky, are proofs of his talent.

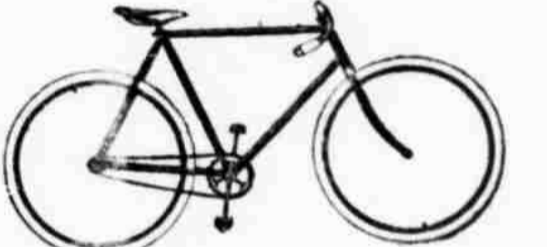
While occupying the position of inspector of ordnance at the Washington navy yard, for three years, he assisted in furthering construction of the magnificent gun factory established there. He was chief of the bureau of ordnance from 1893 to 1897.



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