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FRIDAY, MAY 27, 1898

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FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

War News Refused the Public by the Administration.

RIGID CENSORSHIP ENFORCED.

Attempts Being Made to Persuade the President to Postpone the Invasion of Cuba—Plans Frequently Changed—The "Board of Strategy" Conducting the War—Senator Daniel's Speech.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 23.—Had the Administration been as successful in bottling up that Spanish fleet...

Orders have been issued in profusion to our fleets in Cuban waters, and there is, of course, a general hope that they will succeed in finding and fighting the Spanish.

Those who for one or another reason are desirous of dragging the war on indefinitely have again been trying to persuade Mr. McKinley to postpone the invasion of Cuba until fall.

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COVERED IN ONE COLUMN

Epitome of Important War News For Week Just Ended.

New Spanish Cabinet Formed. The Spanish ministerial crisis was solved Wednesday by the formation of the following cabinet:

- President of the council of ministers—Senator Praxedis Sarratea. Minister of foreign affairs—Senator Leon y Castillo. Minister of war—Lieutenant Colonel Corcos.

Battleship Oregon Safe. Secretary of the Navy Long gave out the welcome information Wednesday that the battleship Oregon, the second largest craft in the American navy...

Spanish Get Coal Station. A dispatch from Montreal, published Thursday, said Senator Polo y Berruete had secured, by cable, a coal depot near St. Pierre, Maguelon, the French colony off the south coast of Newfoundland...

Tampa Camp to Be Divided. TAMPA, Fla., May 24.—Plans are being made to establish camps at several points near Tampa. Water being the principal requisite water is being bored at Seffner, at Dade City and several other points that are high and dry and convenient to railroad lines.

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Cuba's Move on Capital. A dispatch from Fort San Princesa Friday said information had reached that place that General Gomez, at the head of an army of 15,000 insurgents, was closing in on Havana.

Coffee Will Not Be Taxed. WASHINGTON, May 24.—Coffee will not be taxed in the war revenue bill. This statement is made on the authority of Representative Hopkins, member of the house ways and means committee.

Cubans Enroute to Coast. NEW YORK, May 24.—A Key West special says: The Cubans are fighting their way to the coast, where they will join with our forces of invasion.

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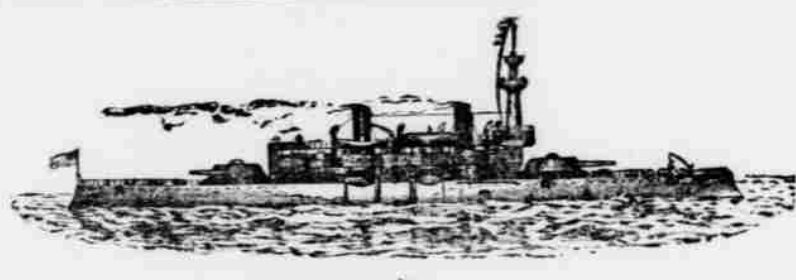
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LATEST WAR NEWS.

The Situation Briefly Stated in a Telegram to The Messenger.

New York, May 25—4 P. M. President McKinley has called for 75,000 additional volunteers, and this number will be apportioned among the various States at once.

The battleship "Oregon" is now coaling at Jupiter Inlet, Florida. This vessel, after its run of over 13,000 miles from San Francisco, is in excellent condition and will be assigned to one of the American fleets now in Cuban waters.

Arrangements have been completed by the Government for the occupation of the island of Porto Rico immediately.

The Government has no news to make public concerning the different fleets. There has been no battle yet.

The prisoner at Key West with charts of the torpedo beds of New York harbor in his possession turns out to be Sobral, the former military attache of the Spanish legation at Washington.

Her War Hat. Alas! 'Tis hard to leave you thus, Distracted and forlorn; But, hubby dear, remember this, That man was made to mourn.

My duty takes me to the front, 'Tis true, love bids me stay; But sternly I repress my heart And still sweet Cupid nays!

The Best Remedy for Rheumatism. From the Fairhaven (N. Y.) Register. Mr. James Rowland of this village, states that for twenty-five years his wife has been a sufferer from rheumatism.

Poles for a telephone line are being placed along the route from Marion to Bakersville. It is expected that communications may be made within a few weeks.

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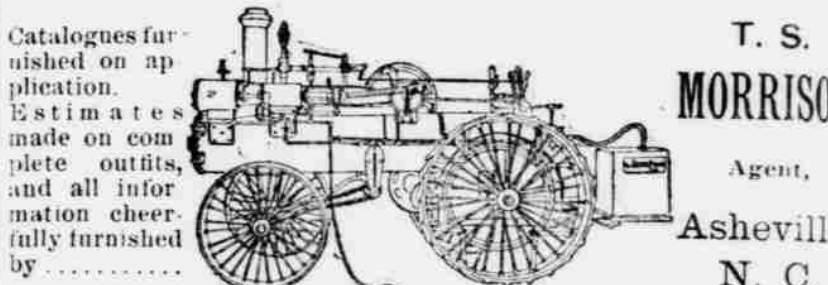
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