

The Farmer's Friend.

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WAR NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Briefly Told for the Harried Reader.

SUNDAY.—The formal surrender of Santiago and occupying of the same by the American troops. The surrender includes 17,000 rifles and several modern coast defense guns.

MONDAY.—Gen. Miles with some artillery and troops left Siboney, Cuba, for Porto Rico. A state paper issued by direction of President McKinley authorized Gen. Shafter for the establishment of a government for Santiago and adjacent country.

WEDNESDAY.—Gen. Miles has established a thorough system of patrolling Santiago. Two Cubans disguised as refugees attempting to provoke the Spaniards in the streets to riot were arrested at Santiago.

THURSDAY.—General Miles finally started on the Porto Rican campaign. Postoffice communication established between Santiago and the United States by order of the President.

FRIDAY.—News was received at Washington that General Aguinaldo had declared a dictatorship and martial law over the Philippines.

Gen. O. O. Howard has gone to Santiago with the paymaster's corps. Clara Barton telegraphs that the yellow fever patients at Siboney are doing well.

Rev. Sam W. Small has been appointed chaplain of the Third regiment of volunteer engineers.

Dispatches from Madrid state that the defense works are being actively pushed at the Spanish ports.

The expedition to Puerto Rico will witness a further development of balloon operations in warfare.

HALF MILLION DOLLARS.

That's What It Will Cost Our Government to Get the Spaniards Home.

AMERICAN SOLDIERS DISGUSTED WITH THEIR ALLIES.

A Murderous Chinaman Blows Up a Powder Factory—Satisfied With Germany's Neutrality—General Garcia Reported Dead—Veterans Meet in Atlanta—A Mississippi Mob's Work—The American and Spanish Soldiers Hobnobbing at Santiago—HITTING THE SPANIARDS.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special)—Arrangements practically have been concluded by the government for the transportation of the Spanish prisoners at Santiago, from Cuba to Spain.

The works of the Western Fuse and Explosive Company, of Oakland, Cal., were blown up by a murderous Chinaman. Five deputy sheriffs and constables who were trying to arrest the murderer were killed.

Germany's Neutrality. Inquiries by the Associated Press in official quarters, at Washington, as to the alleged complications between the United States and Germany in the Philippines, failed to elicit anything which might serve as a foundation for the reports of such complications.

Friendly Feelings Extant. Hundreds of American and Spanish soldiers who but a few days ago were shooting at each other now the streets of Santiago, meeting and mixing on the most friendly terms.

Garcia Reported Dead. A Kingston, Jamaica, cable to the New York Evening Post, says: "Cubans arriving from Siboney bring reports of the death of General Garcia."

Miles Detained. Gen. Miles did not sail Monday, as announced, for Porto Rico, but it is stated at the War Department he will leave shortly with one brigade of infantry and some artillery under convoy of a strong naval escort.

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THE SURRENDERED TERRITORY.

Natural Wealth, Industries and Population of Eastern Cuba. The territory in Eastern Cuba, surrendered by General Toral, embraces about one-third of that province, certainly its most valuable part, if one considers its marvelous fertility as a sugar and coffee district and its inexhaustible deposits of iron ore and manganese iron.

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TURNED INTO CONTEMPT.

The American Troops Thoroughly Disusted With Their Allies. SANTIAGO, de Cuba (By Cable).—A fact which is impressed more and more every day upon the men and officers is the increasing strained relations between the Americans and General Garcia's Cuban soldiers.

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TROOPS ADVANCING ON MANILA.

Gen. Aguinaldo Declares Dictatorship and Martial Law Over the Philippines.

SPANISH MINISTER SAYS PEACE WILL SOON BE EFFECTED.

Admiral Sampson Cabled the War Department that the Nipe Expedition was a Success. Gen. Blanco Issued a Proclamation. Gen. Wood Appointed Military Governor of Santiago. Aguinaldo's Ornaments. Americans Complimented.

DISPATCHES from Cavite say the entire regiment of First California Volunteers have advanced to Janho, only two miles from the Spanish lines surrounding Manila.

A Proclamation by Blanco. Captain General Blanco has issued a proclamation stating that the Spanish army at Santiago capitulated "with all honors of war owing to the exhausted store of provisions of the Spanish garrison."

Americans Complimented. The London weeklies devote themselves to a discussion of what the Speaker terms "compulsory imperialism" and complimented the behavior of the Americans at Santiago.

The Nipe Expedition. The following message has been received at the Navy Department: "Playa, July 23.—Expedition to Nipe has been entirely successful, although the mines have not been removed, for want of time. The Spanish cruiser Jorge Juan, defending the place, was destroyed."

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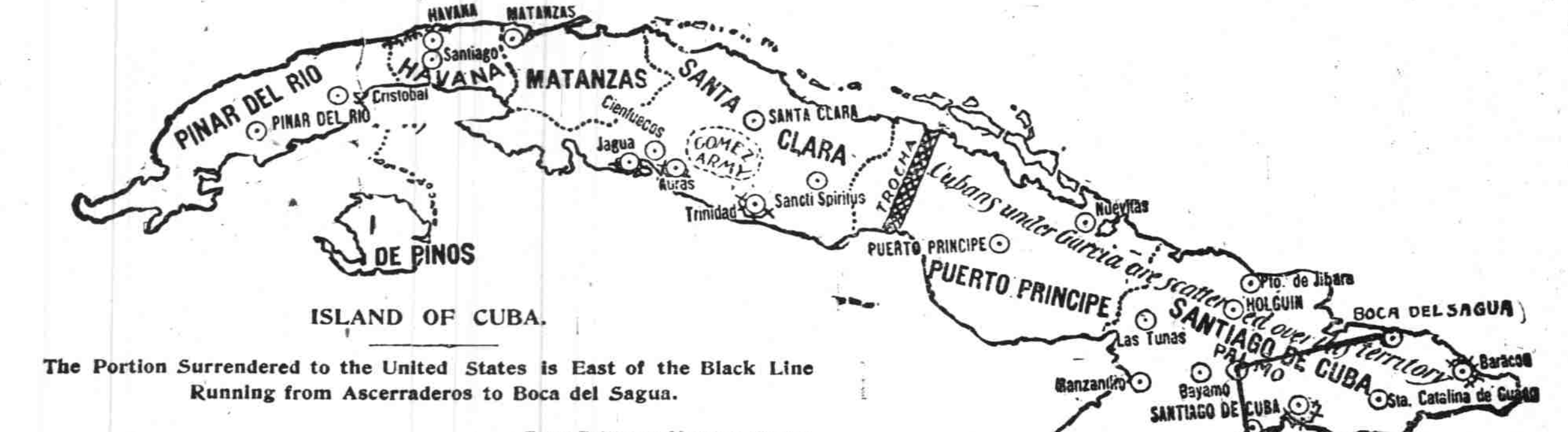
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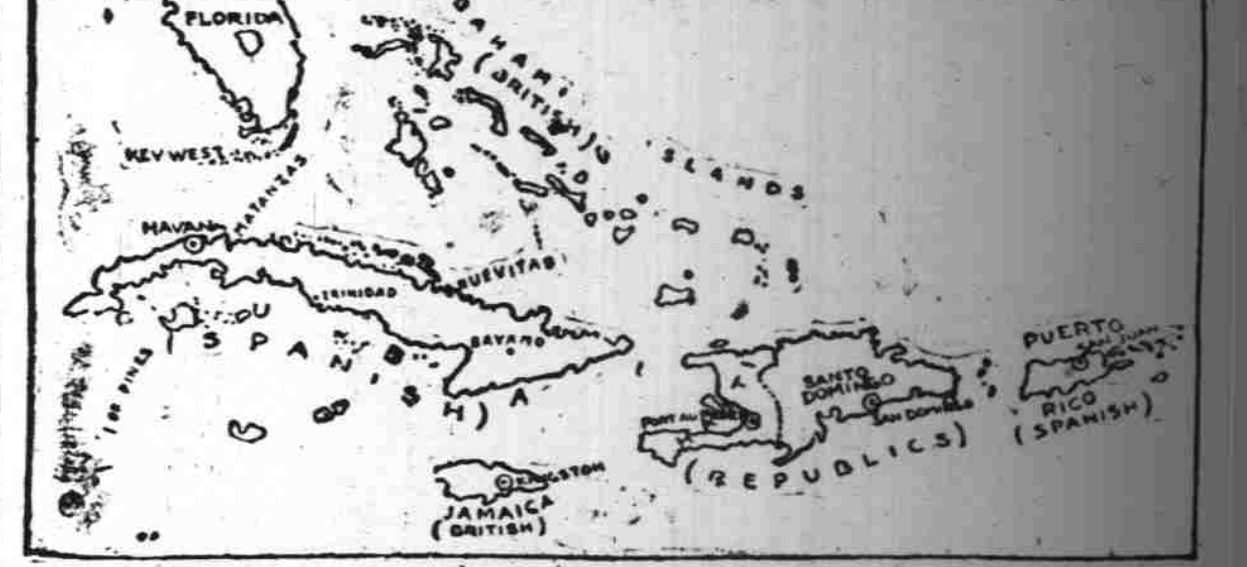
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The Portion Surrendered to the United States is East of the Black Line Running from Ascerraderos to Boca del Sagua.



SCENE OF THE PORTO RICAN CAMPAIGN UNDER GENERAL MILES.