

ALL THINGS READY

Military Officials Await President's Orders

A COLORED COMPANY

Jim Young asks the Governor to Appoint Him Colonel of a Colored Regiment—He Wants to Go to Cuba with Russell Light Infantry.

Colonel Harrell was busy this morning making final preparations for the mobilization of State troops here next Monday. Some disappointment was felt that the call did not come today. It is positively settled, since the President's call will come Monday, that the mobilization here will be at one of two places. Options are held on both. THE MILITIA WILL BE MOBILIZED EITHER AT THE GRIMES FARM OR AT THE MORDECAI PLACE JUST NORTH OF THE CITY. However, there is good reason to state that the former will be selected.

Adjutant General Cowles was in his office all day. He is enthusiastic and ready for the day. He was in constant conference with the Governor, Colonel Harrell and others.

COLORED TROOPS.

It is not generally known, but Raleigh has, nevertheless, a colored military company. The name of the company is the Russell Light Infantry. The company was organized two or three years ago, but the name was adopted during the past year. The company has never been given arms, but their application stands at the head of the list in the Adjutant General's office.

The enrollment of the Russell Light Infantry is now 180. Weekly drills have been held in the Colored Odd Fellows' Hall on South McDowell street. The company is said to be very enthusiastic in the present war and they are ready and anxious to be a part of any colored regiment or brigade sent to Cuba. The statement is made that when the colored troops are called on a brigade will be formed exclusively of colored troops.

The following are the officers of the Russell Light Infantry:

Captain—J. E. Hamlin.
First Lieutenant, Charles Locklear.
Second Lieutenant, Philip Haywood.
Sergeant, F. S. Thompson.
Among the honorary members of the company are J. H. Young, W. F. Debnam, Thomas Donaldson, C. W. Hoover, and A. J. Haywood. Haywood now has a commission as a colonel in the colored militia. It is said that Jim Young would like to be colonel of a colored regiment raised here. He is said to be very anxious to go to Cuba and he had a conversation this morning with the Governor about colored troops. He wants them to have a chance to fight for their country. This can only be done by raising a brigade exclusively of colored troops, for there will be no contact between the two races in the army.

Jim Young said this afternoon, "Yes, I tendered my services to Governor Russell last night to go to Cuba or anywhere else as colonel of a colored regiment. If he can raise the regiment in this country."

Jim says that he is ready and anxious to fight for Uncle Sam. None of the colored troops will be called out unless the Government decides to form a colored brigade. There is only one colored company in the State equipped, and that is at Charlotte.

FREE LIBRETTO.

That the audience attending the concert of the Boston Festival Orchestra in Metropolitan Hall next Tuesday night may listen understandingly to the work, a libretto containing a sketch of the work and an English translation of all the parts to be sung will be presented to all holding reserved seats. No trouble or expense is being spared to make the concert an event long to be remembered and the rush for tickets assures the orchestra an audience worthy of the high reputation that has preceded them.

PROGRAMME—PART ONE.

Overture, "Tannhauser," Wagner; Orchestra.
Death of Aase from Suite "Peer Gynt" (by request), Grieg; String Orchestra.
Piano Concerto No. 1, in E Flat, Liszt; Miss Little and Orchestra.
Andante from Quartette in B Flat, Tchaikowski; Orchestra.
Aria from "Joan of Arc," Bemberg; Miss Spencer.
Largo, Handel; Played by all the First Violins.
Rhapsodie for Orchestra, Chopin; Orchestra.

PART TWO.

The principal scenes of Rossini's Grand Opera.
The Barber of Seville.
Rosina, Miss Rose Stewart.
Almaviva, Mr. Wm. Layin.
Bartolo, Sig. Alfonso Rosa.
And Figaro, Sig. Giuseppe del Puente.
Solets—Miss Rose Stewart, Soprano; Miss Janet Spencer, Contralto; Mr. Wm. Layin, Tenor; Sig. Alfonso Rosa, Bass; Miss Minnie Little, Pianist; and Sig. G. Del Poente, Baritone.

NO ORDERS FOR FLYING SQUADRON.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Old Point Comfort, April 23.—It is announced this morning that the flying squadron has no orders.

PRESIDENT WILL SEND PROCLAMATION OUT MONDAY

BILL FOR RE-ORGANIZING THE REGULAR ARMY PASSED

American Merchant Vessel Shenandoak, Bound for Liverpool, Captured by Spaniards

GEN. MILES' PLANS FOR VOLUNTEERS ANNOUNCED

New York Captured the Pedro—Spanish Spies Operating from Niagra Falls—Mangrove's Mission a Mystery—Germany says we are Wrong—Enthusiasm at Madrid—No Orders to Flying Squadron—President Expects to send an Important Message to Congress this Evening—He Desires Immediate Declaration of War—Naval Authorities Want to Bombard Havana.

LEFT CANARY ISLANDS.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. London, April 23.—The United States Embassy reports, in spite of denials, that the Spanish fleet has left the Canary Islands.

THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

The Delegates Will Arrive Next Friday and Saturday. The Southern Christian Convention will meet in biennial session with the Raleigh Christian Church next Friday. The Convention will be called to order at 8 p. m. by Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., of Suffolk, Va. Prof. P. J. Kernodie, of Richmond, Va., is Standing Secretary, and Mr. J. A. Mills, of this city, is Treasurer.

This Convention includes six conferences. Two in Virginia, three in North Carolina and one in Georgia and Alabama, as follows:

The Virginia Valley.
The Eastern Virginia.
The Eastern North Carolina.
The Western North Carolina.
The North Carolina and Virginia.
The Georgia and Alabama.

These different conferences represent one hundred and sixty-nine churches, with a membership of 16,391, and church property worth \$263,175.

These statistics do not include the conferences of the colored Christians. The Convention is the legislative body of the Christians in the South. The coming session is entitled to only 40 delegates; however, quite a number of visitors are expected.

Three sessions per day will be held—morning, afternoon and night. The sessions will be open and the public is cordially invited.

The programme will be announced daily. The majority of the delegates will arrive next Friday afternoon.

ECHO OF PROGRESS.

Beautifying the Streets—Some Changes in Real Estate.

When the Street Committee completes the work begun on Halifax street and Newbern avenue, promise to be among the prettiest in the city. In the centre of Halifax street, between Edenton and Jones will be a beautiful flower bed extending the length of the square. This will present a beautiful view from the northern part of the Capitol square. A similar flower bed will be placed just east of the Capitol square in Newbern avenue. The streets will thus be beautiful according to the plans carried out in Wilmington, N. C., and Columbia, S. C. It has been reported for several days that the Seaboard Air Line would remove the cotton platform from the present location on Halifax street to the fourteen-acre tract purchased northwest of the city, and sell the present site of the platform for dwelling lots. On investigation, however, this was denied, and the statement was made that while the Seaboard Air Line officials have no idea of parting with the cotton platform property, yet they are contemplating some changes which are not sufficiently mature to be given to the public at present.

It is highly important that the sidewalk should be made to conform to law as soon as possible. Many property holders are neglecting this matter. The remainder of the walks in the Capitol square should be paved as soon as possible.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Rev. M. M. Marshall, D. D., Rector. Second Sunday after Easter. Early Communion, 8 a. m. Sunday School, 10 a. m. Divine service and sermon, 11 a. m. Evening Prayer, 6:30 p. m. Services during the week—Manday (St. Mark's Day), and Friday; Wednesday, 5:30 p. m. Free seats. All invited.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

James L. Foster, Pastor. Sunday School, 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. by the pastor. Ladies' Aid Society meets immediately after morning services, and The Band of Cousins at 3 o'clock. The public cordially invited to all the services.

RALEIGH MUSICAL ASSOCIATION.

The next meeting of the Society will be held at St. Mary's School next Monday evening, April 25, at 8 p. m. The works to be performed by the Boston Festival Orchestra on Tuesday evening will be played and analyzed at this meeting. All members of the Association, honorary, active and associate, are urged to be present punctually at the hour named.

BAPTIST TABERNACLE.

The Week of Prayer in the Tabernacle Church will close tomorrow with a sermon at 11 o'clock by Pastor Simms, on Missions. At night he will preach the second of his series of sermons on "Why I Ought to be a Christian." Visitors in the city are cordially invited to attend the services.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, APRIL 23, 5 P. M.—THE REPUBLICANS AGREED UPON THE WAR REVENUE BILL WHICH DINGLEY INTRODUCED THIS AFTERNOON.

LONDON, APRIL 23, 5 P. M.—REPORT THAT THE PARIS IS SAFE NOT CONFIRMED.

ANOTHER CAPTURE.

Spanish Steamer Pedro Beside the Buena Ventura. By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Key West, April 23.—The Spanish steamer Pedro of Bilbao, under convoy of the Hornet, formerly Yacht Alicia, came in the harbor at 5:15 and dropped anchor alongside the other Spanish ship Buena Ventura. There is great rejoicing over the second capture.

NEW YORK CAPTURED PEDRO. By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Key West, April 23.—A shot from the New York stopped the freighter Pedro.

SPANISH CAPTURE.

Spaniards Get a Treasure in Shenandoak. By Cable to the Press-Visitor. London, April 23.—It is reported that the Spaniards have captured the American ship Shenandoak which sailed from San Francisco in January for Liverpool. She is of Bath, Maine, a four-mast clipper, one of the largest afloat.

CAPTURE CONFIRMED.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. London, April 23.—A cablegram confirms the capture of the four mast American ship Shenandoak, with 400,000 bushels of wheat, by the Spaniards.

REPORT OF PARIS CAPTURE.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. Belfast, April 23.—A dispatch from Queenstown to Belfast by telegraph says that the Spanish torpedo boat in dry dock at Queenstown sailed from port yesterday at the same hour that the Paris left Southampton and intercepted and captured the Paris.

PARIS ESCAPED.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. Southampton, April 23.—The Paris passed Lizard at 11:45 last night, according to the American line reports. She carries a hundred and fifty passengers.

LATER.

It is reported that the Paris escaped from the attempt of the Spanish ship and returned to England.

A COLLISION.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. London, April 23.—The steamer with which the bark Albatross came in collision with proves to be the British steamship Jesmond, which has put in badly damaged. The Paris was sighted in Tolland Bay, Isle of Wight, inside the needles.

NARROW ESCAPE.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. Southampton, April 23.—Captain Watkins, of the City of Paris, saw the Spanish cruiser in time, put back and reached a neutral port. The Spanish followed almost into the neutral waters. The passengers were all asleep.

THE PARIS SAFE.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. Southampton, April 23.—The Paris is safe in Holland in Bay, after being chased.

TWO STEAMERS CAPTURED.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Key West, April 23.—The Ward liners Vigilancia and City of Washington are reported captured by the fleet. They have ammunition for the Spanish.

SPAIN TRYING TO BUY TORPEDOES.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. London, April 23.—The head of the great Whitehead torpedo manufacturing concern has refused Spain's cash offer for their entire stock of completed torpedoes.

PRESIDENT WANTS WAR DECLARATION.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—A member of the Cabinet said today that he expected President McKinley to send his message to Congress recommending that a formal declaration of war be passed. This action will be taken to define clearly the status of the belligerents and nations which will be neutral.

PROCLAMATION WITH THE PRESIDENT.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—The proclamation calling for a hundred thousand troops was completed at the War Department today. It was sent to the President for his signature. It will be issued as soon as the President signs it.

HAY'S OFFICIAL NOTICE.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. London, April 23.—Ambassador Hay has officially notified the foreign office of the blockade of Cuba.

WAIT UNTIL AFTER FUNERAL.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—The President will send his message to Congress after the funeral of Senator Walthall, recommending a declaration of war. This will probably be followed by a call for one hundred thousand men.

HOUSE CONVENES.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—The House met at 10 o'clock this morning and took up the army reorganization bill reported yesterday by the committee on military affairs.

CALL ISSUED.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—The President has issued a call for one hundred and twenty-five thousand volunteers.

SENT MONDAY.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—The President at noon signed the volunteer bill, which was carried by the Secretary of State for his signature. The call technically speaking will not be sent out until Monday.

SPECIAL MESSAGE.

Asks More Authority to Call Volunteers for the Army. By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—President McKinley expects to send a message to Congress this afternoon asking for authority to call for volunteers up to a certain limit, and for a specific declaration of war. The volunteer army bill which became a law yesterday does not give him authority for calling out any number of men. It is expected that Congress will respond by declaring war and giving the President power to call for not exceeding four hundred thousand volunteers.

General Miles has completed plans for disposing of the State militia when they shall have volunteered service. His intention is to have the militiamen ordered into their own encampments, where they will be thoroughly equipped and drilled. They will remain in their camps some time, gradually becoming hardened for active campaign.

LAW ALL RIGHT.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—The President has issued a call for one hundred and twenty-five thousand volunteers to serve two years, if not sooner released. The call is not to be transmitted to the Governors of the States until Monday to avoid any unseemly demonstration on Sunday.

Secretary Alger and Attorney General Griggs have decided that the volunteer law is not defective and that nothing stands in the way of immediate action.

NEED TRAINER MEN.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—The House debated the bill for increasing the regular army. Chairman Hull explained the need for hasty action, saying it is impossible for inexperienced volunteers to handle the coast defense guns.

REORGANIZATION BILL PASSED.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—The army reorganization bill has passed. This bill provides for increasing the regular United States army to 60,000 men.

MAJOR GENERAL LEE.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Richmond, Va., April 23.—General Lee has gone to Washington. He will be made Major General of the Volunteers.

TO INVADE CUBA.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—Representative Hull, in the House today, said that it was General Miles' purpose to effect a landing in Cuba as soon as practicable. It will take six weeks or two months to equip a volunteer army.

SPANISH TRICK.

Niagra Falls the Headquarters for Their Spies. By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Niagara Falls, April 3.—Senator Du Bose, First Secretary of the Spanish Legation, arrived this morning. His arrival here adds to the charge that the Spaniards are using Niagara Falls in Ontario as a base of operations for their secret emissary to the United States.

REPORT DISCREDITED.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 3.—Report comes by way of London that the fortifications at Havana fired on the squadron which returned the fire. The Navy Department scots the report.

FIRED FROM HAVANA.

Naval Authorities Anxious to Begin Bombardment. By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—It is positively asserted that there has been firing from forts at Havana. Sampson is only awaiting a hostile demonstration to cut loose. The naval authorities are anxious to commence the bombardment, but the administration wants Spain to take the initiative. The President and Cabinet attended Senator Walthall's funeral.

SPANISH FLEET.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. St. Vincent, April 23.—The Spanish fleet is still here awaiting orders.

MANGROVE SAILS.

Speculation as to the Meaning of the Move. By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Key West, April 23.—The Mangrove left this morning at 5:30, equipped as cable ship, and headed southeast. Her destination is said to be south of Cuba. It is believed that she will cut off cable communication with the island so far as southern cables are concerned. It is understood she will be conveyed by one or more warships. Another report has it that she is going to Key West ship channel to remove the buoy.

TOPEKA IS O. K.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—The cruiser Topeka has not been lost.

GERMANY WITH SPAIN.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. Berlin, April 23.—The German press condemns the United States. All the papers praise Spain.

DAY WILL SUCCEED SHERMAN.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—Judge Day will succeed Secretary of State Sherman shortly.

TOPEKA SIGHTED.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. London, April 3.—It is reported that the Topeka has been sighted off the north of Ireland.

OUR SHIPS IN DANGER.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Washington, April 23.—Fifteen merchantmen from South American ports are threatened by the Spanish ship Termeria, unless the Oregon intercepts her.

ENTHUSIASM AT MADRID.

An Extraordinary Appropriation Will be Voted. By Cable to the Press-Visitor. Madrid, April 23.—The excitement is increasing. Crowds are continually marching through the streets waving flags, singing and cheering.

SPANIARDS CONFIDENT.

Great Enthusiasm Now Prevails in the City of Havana. By Cable to the Press-Visitor. Havana, April 3.—The city is agitated by war enthusiasm. The American fleet has been sighted. Great confidence is felt by the Spaniards in the effectiveness of their batteries.

HAWAII SEIZED.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. San Francisco, April 23.—The Hawaiian Islands have been seized for a coaling station by the United States.

NEBRASKA ON THE FIELD.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. Lincoln, Neb., April 23.—The Governor has ordered out the militia of Nebraska.

SHORT STATEMENTS

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND IN THE CITY.

Pot-Pouri of the News Pictured on Paper

—Points and People Perilously Picked and Pithily put in Print.

Judge W. S. O'B. Robinson was in the city this morning.

Mr. E. B. Barbee returned from a trip to New York city today.

Miss Hannah Scott returned to Franklinton today.

W. R. Headen has volunteered his services to the Governor's Guards.

Rev. J. B. Boone, Superintendent of the Thomasville Orphan Asylum, was in the city today.

Rev. A. L. Betts will occupy his pulpit the West Raleigh Baptist Church tomorrow.

Special services conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. C. Norman, will continue in the Edenton Street Methodist Church. Services to-morrow at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

J. W. Adams, while, was brought here to jail today for violating the United States internal revenue laws. His bond is placed at \$500, since he is charged with reffiling casks.

A large crowd left today for Chapel Hill to witness one game of ball between the University of Virginia and the University of North Carolina today.

Prof. D. H. Hill, of this city, has accepted the invitation to make the address to the Phi. Society of Davidson College Tuesday night of commencement next.

Rev. Dr. J. W. Carter will occupy his pulpit at the First Baptist Church tomorrow. Communion will be administered then instead of the first Sunday in May, since the pastor will be absent then.

Judge E. W. Timberlake will open a term of the civil court here next Monday. It is said that there will be some sixty witnesses in the Glass suit. The calendar may be cleared in one week, but it will take hard work if it is done.

Rev. E. C. Glenn, who has been conducting a very successful revival in Wilmington for the past two weeks, returned to the city this afternoon, and will fill his pulpit at the Central Church tomorrow at the usual hours. Public cordially invited.

Rev. Alvin Betts will preach tomorrow morning at the Pilot Mill Baptist church and at night Mr. J. W. Bailey will deliver an address. Monday night the pastor, Rev. A. L. Betts, will begin a series of special services which will continue each night throughout next week at least.

RAIN TOMORROW.

Put Aside Your Easter Bonnet for You Won't Need It.

The forecast for Raleigh and vicinity of the weather bureau says rain tonight and Sunday.

The storm has moved southeast to Tennessee, and the rain area has advanced up the Ohio valley to the north Atlantic coast. The weather is cloudy and warmer in the lower Mississippi valley, but still clear over Florida. Thunderstorms are reported this morning at Mobile, Montgomery and Atlanta Georgia. The heaviest rains were Vicksburg 1.24, Mobile 1.06.

The weather is also generally clear in the west, and not decidedly colder; a fall of 10 degrees however, occurred at Oklahoma, and of 14 at St. Louis.

MR. JORDAN WORSE.

Mr. J. C. Jordan, who suffered a stroke of paralysis in the left side several days ago, continues ill at his home some ten miles from this city. Mr. Jordan was for years a highly respected citizen of Raleigh, and his hosts of friends hope for his early recovery.

Later—Today it is reported that he is sinking, and the end is expected any time.

DEATH OF MRS. BRIDGERS.

Mrs. Adeline Bridgers died at her home in Lemay, Johnston county, last night at 9 o'clock. The funeral will be held there tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Bridgers is the mother of Mrs. A. D. Taylor, of this city. She was a noble woman, and her death will cause sorrow throughout the circle of her acquaintances here.

MR. WALTER TUCKER HURT.

Mr. Walter Tucker, conductor on the street cars here, met with a painful accident today. He was hurt while trying to board a freight train. Mr. Tucker was carried home in the delivery wagon of Ferrall & Co.

MUSICIANS' CONVENTION.

The first session of the State Convention of Music Teachers will be held in the Academy of Music here next Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The Executive Committee is composed of Prof. W. G. Bryant, Prof. Geo. D. Moore, and Prof. John Simpson. The work of the Convention will embrace the adoption of a constitution and by-laws, the election of officers and short talks on various musical subjects.