

FOR IMMEDIATE INVASION

The Cabinet Secures Transports for 20,000 Men

NOTHING YET FROM COMMODORE DEWEY

Madrid Under Martial Law—Report that Dewey and Insurgents are Organizing a Provisional Government—Last Cable Message Before the Cable Was Cut—British Leave Havana—Preparations for Bombardment.

PREPARING FOR ACTION.

The Monotony of the Blockade at Last Will be Broken.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor.

Key West, May 3.—There is intense activity among Sampson's fleet. It is expected that a speedy attack will be made on Porto Rico. The vessels are coaling and preparing for service now. A conference has been held by Commodore Sampson and the leading Captains in his command. It is supposed that the bombardment of Havana will open hostilities on all the Cuban ports. The officers are enthusiastic, but the prospect of breaking the monotony of the blockade.

BRITISH TO LEAVE.

Cruiser Talbot Will Convey British Subjects From Cuba.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor.

Key West, May 3.—The British cruiser Talbot arrived five miles northwest from Morro Castle and, with the consent of Commander Converse of the Montgomery, proceeded to Havana. It is supposed that he will leave tomorrow with all the British subjects who are desirous of leaving Cuba.

NEXT BATTLE IN CUBAN WATERS

By Cable to The Press-Visitor.

London, May 3.—It is reported that Spain will now concentrate her force for a battle in Cuban waters.

NEEDS PROTECTION.

By Cable to The Press-Visitor.

Kingston, May 3.—Fifty refugees arrived here this morning. The British Consul at Baracoa has instructed the Captain of the steamer to inform the authorities that he needed protection.

WOULD PROMOTE DEWEY.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor.

Washington, May 3.—Admiral Jouett said that if he had the authority he would promote Commodore Dewey by telegram and let the whole world know that this country instantly recognized his valorous service.

ATTACK SAMPSON'S FLEET.

By Cable to The Press-Visitor.

Cadiz, May 3.—A second Spanish fleet has completed preparations for sailing. The indications now point to a heavy attack of Commodore Sampson's fleet.

WAR WON'T LAST LONG.

By Cable to The Press-Visitor.

London, May 3.—It is rumored here this morning the British Ambassador at Washington will be succeeded by Sir Thomas Sanderson.

SPANIARDS EVACUATE.

By Cable to The Press-Visitor.

Kingston, May 3.—The Spaniards have evacuated Bayamo a principal town. Santiago is occupied by the insurgents.

COMMUNICATION STILL CLOSED.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor.

New York, May 3.—The Commercial Cable Company has advised this morning that communication to Manila is still closed.

ANOTHER PRIZE.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor.

Key West, May 3.—The gun boat Castine brought in the Peco, a prize schooner this morning.

SOLDIERS AT TAMPA.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor.

Tampa, May 3.—Ten thousand soldiers are camped here. Eight thousand more are due tonight.

THE MINNEAPOLIS.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor.

Highland Light, Mass., May 3.—The Minneapolis passed out at nine this morning going southward.

THE NEW ORLEANS.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor.

New Orleans, La., May 3.—The New Orleans passed out at the today eastward.

UNFAVORABLE WEEK

However Saturday Marked the Turning Point

TWO LIGHT FROSTS

North Carolina Crops Were Considerably Retarded the First of Last Week by Reason of the Storms and Cold.

The crop bulletin for the week ending Monday, May 2, 1898 is as follows: The week ending Monday, May 2, 1898, was, as a whole, quite unfavorable, chiefly on account of the severe wind and rain storm of the 27th, accompanied by very cold weather, sleet, and some snow. There were two light frosts. The temperature in the central portion of the State was as much as 5 degrees below the normal, the deficiencies occurring chiefly on the 27th, 28th and 29th. The rainfall averaged about one inch. On Saturday, warmer, more favorable weather set in, and farm work, previously much delayed, was resumed with vigor. The damage by the storm is not thought to have been very great.

Eastern District.—The week was decidedly unfavorable on account of the severe storm of the 27th and 28th. For two days there was a considerable barometric depression off the North Carolina coast, causing very high north to northeast gales, accompanied by a very cold rain, with sleet and snow, subsequently light touches of frost occurred. The rainfall was not excessive, except at a few extreme eastern points, averaging for the district about 1.40 inches. The temperature was below the normal. The last few days were warmer, with abundant sunshine, and favorable. The high winds caused the most damage, chiefly to young plants, truck crops and fruit. A good many peaches, plums and cherries were whipped off the trees, and at some points trees were blown down. The cold rain chilled the ground and checked crop growth. Young corn and cotton are looking badly and a bad stand of both is feared. Little farm work was done until the end of the week. Tobacco plants are reported to be quite scarce in some sections. Rice planting is nearly over. Progress in planting corn, cotton and peanuts was comparatively slow, but the coming week will see the most of this work accomplished.

Central District.—The Wednesday gale was not as severe in the central portion of the State as in the east, but still high winds prevailed for 24 hours, with some heavy rains and sleet. The cold weather and light frosts two mornings nipped young plants and everywhere checked the growth of vegetation for two or three days. The weather from the 27th to the 30th was very cold and unfavorable and comparatively little farm work was done. Much corn remains to be planted and practically the bulk of the cotton crop. Corn that was up looks yellow, with poor stand; cut-worms are doing it some damage. Considerable cotton was blown and chilled until much of it is dead and the ground was so cold for some days that it is feared much will not come up at all, and will have to be replanted. Wheat, oats and rye continue to look promising and are beginning to head; a few complaints were received of damage by insects. It is a little early in this section for transplanting tobacco but much will be accomplished in the next ten days if the weather is favorable, as much ground is prepared and plants are coming to the proper size. Gardens have been set back. Irish and sweet potatoes are doing well. Melons and some fruit trees were injured by the wind, but it is still probable that there will be a fair fruit crop from this district.

Western District.—Many satisfactory reports were received from this district, though the early part of the week was unfavorable, with much cloudiness, cold weather and wind. The rainfall was less than in other portions of the State, averaging about 0.60 inch, and was needed. The mountains were covered with snow on the 27th, and the weather cleared, with frosts the mornings of the 28th and 29th, with some minor damage. The cool weather has caused slow growth of vegetation. Corn planting was retarded the early part of the week; much corn up is weak and yellow; cut-worms are making themselves evident. Cotton planting progressed more slowly this week. Tobacco plants were set back by the cold. Wheat and rye are growing fairly well, but spring oats is at a standstill for want of warmer weather. The frosts nipped Irish potatoes and beans badly in some sections. Fruit gives promise of being better than expected.

SHAW COMMENCEMENT. The following are the dates for the commencement exercises at Shaw University: Sunday, May 8th—Baccalaureate Sermon. Tuesday, May 10th—Commencement Training School. Wednesday, May 11th—Unveiling of Crosby Monument at Mount Hope Cemetery. Prize Reading. Thursday, May 12th—Commencement Exercises and Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association.

WORK ON FORT CASWELL. The work at Fort Caswell proceeds night and day. Sundays and week days. There are about 200 hands employed. Just when the work will be completed is not definitely known. Fifty men, carpenters, masons, stone cutters and various other craftsmen, arrived from Newbern today on their way to the fort—Wilmington Dispatch.

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RAD ACCIDENT.

A Student at the Blind Institution Perhaps Fatally Hurt.

A serious accident occurred yesterday afternoon at the institution for the blind. Some of the students were playing in the rockers in the yard. Among the number was John Scott, a little blind boy from Asheville. The children were excited and wildly ran the rocker higher and higher. Suddenly, through one of those unavoidable accidents which will occur sometimes, the rocker capsized and the occupants were thrown out. No one was hurt except John Scott. The rocker fell on him across the stomach. A physician was summoned and he was carefully nursed through the night. His condition was regarded as critical.

This morning Superintendent Ray, when asked about the boy's condition, said that he was better but is not yet considered out of danger.

AN ASSIGNMENT. H. C. Olive of Apex Names G. B. Alford as His Assignee. Last evening Mr. H. C. Olive, of Apex made an assignment of all his property, except the real and personal exemptions provided by law, to Mr. G. Benton Alford, of Holly Springs. The liabilities are near \$7,000 with assets unknown.

Mr. Olive is a merchant and farmer of Apex and one of the most prominent and highly respected men in the county. His many friends deeply regret his misfortune.

The deed of trust provided first that the assignee shall sell either publicly or privately the property of the assignor to pay his indebtedness.

These debts are divided into three classes. I. Charges for execution of the assignment, store rent, clerk hire and J. R. Cary Co. \$56. Jesse G. Ball \$5. G. N. Ives \$37.50. W. R. Dimmock \$7. R. E. Williams & Co. \$34.69. L. C. Younger \$13.75. R. F. Morris & Son \$15.43. Farina Roller Mills \$9.10. A. D. Royster & Bro. \$6.19. Standard Oil Co. \$10. Howard and Hunter \$10. D. T. Johnson Agent \$10. and C. W. Seate \$15.

II. Notes to Anna Rogers aggregating \$570.21. G. B. Alford \$25. L. S. Olive \$25. P. J. Olive \$25 and W. W. Olive \$25. III. Edwards & Droughton \$200. Allen and Crum \$100. A. T. Olive & Bro. \$100. Miss Sarah Collins \$75. and the Mecklenburg Iron Co. \$300.

SUPREME COURT. Cases from the Twelfth district: Davis vs. Long, continued. Commissioners of Buncombe vs. Payne, argued by Avery, Moore, and Mark M. Brown for plaintiff, Battle for defendant.

Tate vs. Commission papers handed up on briefs of Smathers for plaintiff, Crawford for defendant. Cooper vs. Wyman and Bogle papers handed up on brief of Davidson, Jones, Soudley for defendants appellant.

Henry vs. Hilliard, by Cobb on brief for defendant. Jones vs. Ibea, argued by Adams, Carter; Jones and Boykin for plaintiff; W. J. Peels for defendant. Bingham School vs. Gray, argued by John W. Graham for plaintiff; F. S. Blair, R. O. Burton, R. T. Gray for defendant.

The argument in this case will be resumed Wednesday morning.

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SURGEONS AT WAR

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THE SOLDIER BOYS

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A. D. COWLES, Adjutant General. COLORED REGIMENT. Col. B. S. Royster, who has just inspected different locations for mobilizing the proposed colored regiment was in the city today. Fort Macon was the place selected. Col. Royster says that the people at both Wilmington and Southport were opposed to having the troops mobilized at those places. He regards it as very probable that North Carolina will be permitted to furnish a regiment of colored troops.

NO OFFICERS. Governor Russell has not yet returned from Wilmington hence the officers of the first regiment have not been named. The Governor will probably return tomorrow.

Col. Harrell is now ordnance officer, in charge of guns, ammunition, &c. Lieutenant Marshall, detailed by the War Department, has relieved both the quartermaster general and commissary officer of their duties.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION. This morning the surgeon of the first regiment and his two assistants were busy examining the men preparatory to mustering them into the service of the United States. These examinations were made by Dr. Wilder, assisted by Dr. Archer and Dr. Jordan under the supervision of Dr. Winter, who was sent by the government for the purpose.

The companies were marched to the fair grounds and the examination made in one of the buildings there. At two o'clock four companies had been examined and the required 81 men, exclusive of the three commissioned officers, selected. The surgeons did not strip the men. However, they were required to remove their coats and shirts and their hearts were carefully examined. Each company marched to the office where the examination was made with the bugler in the lead. When enough men had been passed upon and accepted the others were turned aside and not examined. Hence the regular members of the companies were in front and the recruits in the rear.

The examination thus far resulted as follows: Hornet's Nest Riflemen of Charlotte, T. R. Robertson Capt., 6 men rejected. Governor's Guard of Raleigh, A. J. Crawford Capt., W. B. Beavers First Lieut., and Z. P. Smith Second Lieut., six men rejected. None of the officers in any of the four companies failed to pass. The six in the Governor's Guard who were rejected were all six recruits who have been taken in during the past two weeks. Every officer and every old member of the company passed. The Governor's Guard are Company B, and occupy the last row of tents east in the camp. The Queen City Guards occupy the first row and are Company A, because their captain has held his commission longest.

Eight of the Cabarrus Light Infantry of Concord, Edward Hill Captain, failed on the examination. At two p. m., the surgeons were examining the Cleveland Guards of Shelby, but had not finished. The mustering will begin when the examination of all companies in the first regiment is complete.

SECOND REGIMENT. The second regiment are now coming in. Capt. Percy Gray, of Greensboro, came with his volunteer company over a 100 strong, this afternoon. They got off at Pullen Park and marched to camp. The Wilmington company, in second regiment, will arrive this afternoon at five o'clock on a special.

The second regiment will be in camp complete by the end of the week. The company from Greenville was expected this afternoon but has not yet arrived.

JR. O. U. A. M. Regular meeting of Raleigh Council, No. 1 meets every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Work in degrees. It is a pleasure to state that Mrs. E. M. Hayes, who is ill at the home of Mrs. Upchurch on McDowell street, is better today.

Congressman Richmond Pearson arrived in the city last evening. The faithful could not account for the visit of Congressman Pearson to Raleigh at this time for the reason that there are now no Republicans in Congress on hand.

OFF FOR CONFERENCE. Many Prominent Methodists Will go to Baltimore. The general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church south will meet in Baltimore, May 25th, and will be in session several days. Mr. Joseph G. Brown, who heads the lay delegates from this State, left this afternoon for Baltimore.

The following are the delegates from North Carolina: Clerical—Rev. Dr. J. C. Kilgo, Rev. Dr. E. A. Yarb, Rev. Dr. T. N. Ivey and Rev. J. D. Swinfield. Lay—Messrs. J. D. Brown, of Raleigh; H. N. Potts, of E. H. Hollibaugh, and T. S. Smith.

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CIVIL COURT.

Hearing a Suit Against the Western Union Telegram Company.

The following cases were disposed of by Judge Timberlake in the civil court this morning: Manly Harris against J. C. Marcom, 30 days allowed to file an answer after the term by consent. In the Glass case judgment was given, motion for a new trial by the defendant was over-ruled and an appeal taken. H. M. Farnsworth against L. P. Freeman judgment.

When court took a recess for dinner arguments in the suit of Mrs. Maggie E. Lyne against the Western Union Telegraph Company had not been completed. Mrs. Lyne is a sister of Mrs. Dolphus Wortham, who lived on Salisbury street. While she was visiting her sister a telegram came at 10:45 one Saturday night announcing the critical illness of her husband in Richmond. There was no address on the telegram and Mrs. Lyne could not be found until next day. The telegram was then delivered together with a telegram announcing the death of her husband. Mrs. Lyne sues the company for \$1,900 damages.

AND HE WENT AND HANGED HIMSELF. Mr. J. J. Otterburg, who lives on McCulloch street, attempted to hang himself yesterday afternoon about five o'clock. Mr. Otterburg while playing with the children, who had a rope among their playthings, took the rope and put it around his neck, remarking as he left the room something about going to war.

He was found later hanging to the bed post in the adjoining rooms. He has been in a very critical condition ever since being cut down, and fears are still entertained for his life. His son's enlistment had nothing to do with his act.—Greensboro Record.

FAIR AND COOLER. Is the Weather Prediction Gratifying to You? The forecast of the weather bureau for Raleigh and vicinity says: Fair tonight and Wednesday; cooler. The depression yesterday central over northern Illinois has moved to Lake Erie, with light rains in the Lake region and on the north Atlantic coast. Another storm has formed in western Texas, and the weather has become threatening and cloudy on the entire Rocky mountain slope. The heaviest rain was 1.30 inches at Oklahoma.

Cooler weather prevails over the northern section of the country. Fair, generally clear and very warm weather continues in the southern States east of the Mississippi. The 8 a. m. temperature was above 70 this morning as far north as Raleigh.

COL. GRAY'S PROMOTION. The Sentinel joins the many friends in this city of Col. William T. Gray, of the Hydrographic office, Washington, congratulating him upon his promotion. He has been appointed assistant paymaster of the navy. Mr. Gray is a graduate of Annapolis, and at one time served as a Colonel of the Third Regiment of North Carolina State Guard. He was also Captain of the Forsyth Riflemen from June, 1886 to June, 1890. Col. Gray is a brother of Dr. R. F. James A., E. E. and E. S. Gray, of this city. His salary will be about \$3,500.—Winston Sentinel.

TODAY'S MARKETS. By private wire to W. A. Porterfield & Company. NEW YORK COTTON. Months. Open High Low. C. O. S. May 6 09 6 09 6 08 6 05 6 06 June 6 13 6 13 6 10 6 11 6 11 July 6 17 6 18 6 14 6 16 6 19 August 6 20 6 22 6 18 6 18 6 15 September 6 21 6 23 6 18 6 17 6 18 October 6 21 6 23 6 17 6 17 6 18 November 6 21 6 23 6 20 6 18 6 20 December 6 24 6 25 6 21 6 20 6 21 January 6 26 6 28 6 23 6 22 6 24 February 6 26 6 28 6 23 6 22 6 24 Easy; sales 92,900.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET. Spot quiet, prices lower; American middling 3-16; sales 8,000; speculation and export 1,000; receipts 11,000; American 10,800; futures opened quiet; closed quiet. The following were the closing quotations of the Liverpool cotton market today: May and June, 3 30. June and July, 3 30. July and August, 3 31 1/2. August and September, 3 31 1/2. September and October, 3 30. October and November, 3 29 1/2. November and December, 3 28 1/2. December and January, 3 28 1/2. January and February, 3 28.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISION MARKET. The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today: Wheat—May 121; July 94 1/2. Corn—May 33 July 88 1/2. Oats—May 24 1/2; July 25 1/2. Pork—May 10 85; July 11 15. Lard—May 8 87; July 5 90. Clear Rib Sides—May 5 47; July 5 57.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET. The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange: St. Paul 91 1/2. Northern Pacific 121 1/2. Rock Island 85 1/2. Southern Preferred 37 1/2. Chesapeake & Ohio 104. Con Gas 180. American Tobacco 108 1/2. Missouri Pacific 82 1/2. Manhattan 98 1/2. Western Union 92 1/2. Burlington and Quincy 92 1/2. Jersey Central 92 1/2. U. S. Leather 182 1/2.

POSTMASTER BAILEY. A telegram was received from Mr. C. T. Bailey this morning stating that the Senate yesterday afternoon confirmed his nomination as postmaster at Raleigh. He will give his bond on his return and enter upon the discharge of the office.

Key West, May 2.—The little torpedo boat "Porter," Captain Fremont, in command, had a lively chase after three Spanish gunboats while scouting last Friday east of Havana. Toward dusk, when "Porter" was far in shore, she sighted three gunboats which appeared to be converted tugboats.

The Fremont started to catch them, but when within about four miles the water was so shallow that the heels, some small batteries and were then "Porter" had to slack down. Seeing she could not catch the enemy the "Fremont" opened fire with one-pounders, but the distance was too great.

The Spaniards answered as they fled. They finally ran under the shelter of some small batteries and were then safe.

Mr. W. J. Brown has resumed his place with the W. E. Jones dry goods store, 206 Fayetteville street, where he will be pleased to sell his friends their dry goods, etc.

The Rescue Circle will meet at the usual place Tuesday afternoon, May 3d, at 5 o'clock. Cloudy weather, followed probably by rain is the nature of the weather scheduled for Raleigh and vicinity today.

For the State at large, the Washington Bureau predicts: Fair weather, with heavy winds, becoming variable and squally.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many. AROUND IN THE CITY. Pot-Pouri of the News Pictured on Paper—Points and People Pertinently Picked and Pithily put in Print.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Norris are in town. Miss Ethel Bagley will entertain the Eucharist club next Friday evening at her home on South street. Mr. J. D. Wiggins left yesterday for Wilson, N. C., where he has accepted a position as foreman in a planing mill. Beginning tomorrow morning the Centennial Graded school will begin holding morning session at 8:30 o'clock, instead of 9:00 o'clock.

The North Carolina Synod of the Lutheran church meets in Salisbury next year. This was decided before Synod adjourned at Burlington Saturday night. It will be of interest to you to look up the new and attractive "ad." of Messrs. Whiting Bros. in this issue and see what they have to say about our country. The first run of the season for the Raleigh Bicycle Club will be Thursday afternoon at five o'clock. The cyclists will start for their spin from Nash Square. Several of the revenue officers left this morning to do a little work for Uncle Sam among the moonshiners. Rev. Mac Adams is in the city today. George Hawkins, colored, for assault and battery upon Telda Richardson, was before Judge Roberts today and required to pay costs and enter into recognizance to keep the peace, where upon judgment was suspended. A Syrian peddler swore out a warrant against Mr. L. Miller charging that he had swindled him in changing a \$5.00 bill. The evidence was too conflicting to make a case and the Syrian was required to pay costs. Judge Thomas C. Fuller, Mr. Jones Fuller, Mr. Staples Fuller and Mr. Thomas Sturtevant, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., left this morning to enjoy a week or ten days fishing at Carteret Lodge, about ten miles from Morehead.

Regular meeting of Raleigh Council, No. 1, Jr. O. U. A. M., this evening at 8 o'clock in their hall over Citizens' National Bank. There will be initiation. Visiting brethren invited. Cards have been issued inviting friends to the marriage of Mr. Martin Fowler, son of Dr.