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HANGING FIRE

Whereabouts of the Hostile Fleet is Only Guesswork

NO BATTLE YET.

Movement of all the Vessels at Havana Probable.

The Oregon Will Soon Come to View Sampson Receives Free Orders, Blanco Expects Help Soon.

Special to Journal.

WASHINGTON, May 18. Spain is preparing to resist the power of the United States to the utmost.

Some intimation has reached the English government that Havana and Santiago de Cuba will soon be bombarded by the American fleet.

Although it is thought that the Spanish fleet is on the way to attempt the raising of the blockade of Havana, a rumor comes from Colon, Central America, that the Spanish vessels will touch at that port.

The reports of the location of the vessels are not to be depended on.

The activity of the Spanish fleet in Cuba is greatly increased under the expectation of assistance from the Spanish fleet.

That there will be a complete rearrangement of the vessels in Cuban waters is determined on.

The torpedo boat Rowan is added to the defenses of the Pacific coast.

At Kingston, Jamaica, two American warships were sighted today, making in a westward direction.

Sampson's Orders.

The orders to Admiral Sampson are to seek and destroy the enemy, just as were those sent to Dewey before he sailed for Manila.

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WILLIAM E. GLADSTONE.

Sketch of the Statesman's Life Who Died Yesterday Morning in His 89th Year.

William Ewart Gladstone has stood for more than half a century as the great representative of reform in the British government.

He was one of the most admired men in the world.

It has been the greatest friend of the Liberal cause in England.

He was born in Liverpool on December 29, 1809.

When Palmerston's death occurred Gladstone succeeded him as leader of the Liberals in the house of commons.

Mr. Gladstone began public life as a Conservative.

For nearly twenty years he was a shining light of the Conservative party.

Then he gradually drifted into Liberalism, and after being for some time a "free lance," he went into Lord Palmerston's cabinet in 1859.

Mr. Gladstone recognized the fact that his mental history was one of development rather than of consistency.

"I was educated," said he, "to regard liberty as an evil.

St. Pierre, Martinique, May 17. The main part of the Spanish fleet has evidently left Martinique waters.

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FLEETS PREPARED

But Have Not Discovered The Spanish Admiral Yet.

SQUADRON REARRANGED.

Three Divisions Preserved With Able Commanders.

Many Reports Received Locating War Vessels. Talk About the Cadiz Fleet. General Miles on the Movement to Cuba.

Special to Journal.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—General Miles said emphatically tonight that the beginning of the invasion of Cuba by the army of the United States is not yet begun.

"Three days notice at least will be given," he said, "before the movement begins.

It is understood that President McKinley will give orders that the actual warfare in Cuba begin as soon as possible and that unless some unforeseen movement of the Spanish fleet occurs the invasion of Cuba by the United States Army will begin the latter part of next week.

Blanco Cut off.

According to the determination to prevent the further communication between Blanco and Madrid.

Havana's communication with the outside world was carried on by means of five cable lines.

The right to cut these cables is not doubted by the authorities here, although most of them are British cables.

Fleets Arranged.

Admiral Sampson is placed in command of the three great squadrons of American fighting ships around the island of Cuba.

One squadron will be directed by Commodore Schley, the second by either Captain Clark of the battleship Oregon or Commodore Watson, and the third will be directly under the supervision of Sampson himself.

Admiral Sampson will have his flag ship the New York, the battleships Indiana and Iowa, the cruisers Cincinnati, Columbia, and Minneapolis, besides smaller craft, in his squadron.

Commodore Schley will have the Brooklyn as flagship, the battleship Texas, cruisers New Orleans and Yale, and the monitors Puritan and Miantonomah, and lesser vessels.

Watson or Clark will have battleship Oregon, the cruisers Montgomery and St. Paul, the Marietta, the dynamite cruiser Buffalo and the monitors Terror and Amphitrite.

In order to check any move which Cervera may contemplate, exerting upon the American coast and to prevent the possibility of his escaping north through the Windward passage or around the west end of Cuba the squadrons will be located so that he can be intercepted and forced to fight or surrender.

The entire fighting strength practically of the navy on the Atlantic side is now within a few hundred miles of Havana.

It is necessary in twenty-four hours, or by slipping around the two ends of Cuba can catch the Spanish fleet if it goes to Cienfuegos.

The Cadiz Fleet.

It is reported from London that the date for the sailing of the Cadiz fleet has been postponed.

The announcement that the sailing of the fleet has been postponed is believed to be a ruse on the part of Spain and that the fleet has already sailed for Manila.

Attempts to Recruit.

It is believed that in some way the reports of Spanish warships being seen off the Newfoundland coast is another Spanish ruse to draw the flying squadron away from Cuba.

hoped that the Spanish Admiral Cervera could elude the other American vessels and escape into Havana.

And yet a second report comes to the authorities from Halifax that nine war ships have been sighted off the coast.

One report of the Cape Verde fleet recently today locates it off the coast of Jamaica.

Accounts of Losses.

Col Ortiz of the Cuban army has arrived at Key West. He brings fuller accounts of the Spanish losses at the bombardment of Cienfuegos by the American vessels when they succeeded in cutting the cable.

Bad Reports.

The New York Journal today publishes a dispatch from Washington saying that owing to a large number of desertions among the volunteers in North Carolina, that men will be drafted to fill the regiments.

It is reported from Paris that Senor Castillo, who was offered the portfolio of Minister of Foreign Affairs in the reconstructed Spanish cabinet, refuses to accept the office.

The Daimler Motor company received orders from the Government for twelve launches equipped after the Daimler model.

Thus, J. Pray, who had been twenty-one years in the United States navy died at Salem, Mass., today.

The Chinese consul at Washington has asked the relief committee to extend aid to the Chinese resident in Cuba.

THE STATE CAPITAL.

Shrimmer Parade. City Crowded With Visitors. Camp Russell, Butler Captured Convention.

Shrimmer paraded the streets here yesterday much to the amusement of every one.

The Second Regiment camp has been named Camp Daniel Russell.

When the Populist State convention met yesterday, J. B. Schuilken of Columbus was nominated temporary chairman.

Butler completely controlled the convention. Skinner was defeated in all his plans.

First Regiment Leaves For Tampa. Bagley Elected Asheville Next Meeting Place of Masses. Fish Mate.

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GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

TO BE FOUND IN THE CITY.

We buy our goods direct from first hands in large quantities for Cash.

McDaniel & Gaskill, GROCERS, 71 Brod Street, NEW BERNE, N. C.

GOOD QUALITY TOBACCO CLOTH,

1 1/4c Yard.

O. Marks Co.

Some time during the fall of '97 we advertised as "New Berne's Busiest Store."

While not using these words in every "ad", still we have felt no need since then to withdraw that statement.

In our advertising efforts, feeble though they may be, we generally follow our own Style, varying from time-to-time, as circumstances may suggest.

When we do absorb the ideas of others it is in such a general manner as not to appear as a copy of their methods.

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