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PORTO RICO TO BE TAKEN

This Island Is Used as a Base of Supplies for the Spaniards—General Miles Favors the Move.

THE PRESIDENT'S INTENTION

A Sweeping Assault Will Soon Be Made—The Island of Cuba will Not Be Invaded for Some Time—The Climate of Porto Rico Said Not to Be An Unhealthy One.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Many people find it almost impossible to believe that the president has consented to abandon the reconcentrados in Cuba to their fate for some months to come, while Porto Rico and the Philippines receive the attention of the United States army, yet the report is made repeatedly and apparently on the best of authority that this is the case.

General Miles who has been opposed to an immediate advance upon Cuba is said to highly favor the invasion of Porto Rico.

General Miles has urged upon the president and secretary of war, and he has been supported by General Schofield that from a strategic view it is imperative that Porto Rico be taken. He says that there the Spaniards have built their biggest forts and stored their largest supplies of food and coal, for the purpose of making that island a base of operations against the United States.

To go ahead now and capture Cuba leaving Porto Rico in Spanish hands, would, in General Miles' opinion, be making the enemy a present of a base of operations from which they could continually threaten the army in Cuba and the entire Atlantic coast of this country.

In Miles opinion it would require many more men and ships to conduct a war with Spain on that basis than if we go ahead and take Porto Rico now.

The president, it is said by his personal friends, has listened with favor to General Miles' argument. He has a particular horror of diseases that are liable to ravage the American army if it tries to operate in Cuba during the rainy season. He has all along feared that disaster would overtake the administration and the Republican party if the army in Cuba should be decimated by pestilence, because he believes it would take a very short time for yellow fever in the army to place mourning upon at least one family in every town in the United States.

Porto Rico and the Philippines, on the other hand, are deemed by the president as comparatively healthy. In Porto Rico, according to Gen. Miles, the deadly fevers of Cuba are unknown. The operations in Porto Rico and the Philippines, it is explained by the president's friends, would occupy every man of the army that can be drilled and equipped during the next two or three months. This would, in a sense, it is hoped, satisfy the country.

In the meantime, if it does appear to satisfy the country, it is said to be the intention of the president to get everything in shape for a grand sweeping three weeks' assault upon Cuba as soon as the rainy season is over, taking everything in sight as fast as reached. This program will be helped by the decision to besiege Santiago. The country around that city is about as high and healthy as Porto Rico, and a mild campaign is expected to help the popular desire for the invasion of Cuba.

HAS SCHLEY BEEN DECEIVED

WASHINGTON, May 27.—News of im-

portance, understood to be from Schley, was received by the navy department late tonight. Contrary to the custom, Long went to the department at a late hour and was closeted with Assistant Secretary Allen and Lieut. Whittelsey, the cipher expert, in view of the arrangements made for giving to the press any advices from Schley that Cervera's fleet was still at Santiago. His failure to make public anything about the message would indicate that Cervera has escaped, but this cannot be stated positively.

Some dozen of projected military and naval operations was had at the cabinet meeting today. The place of campaign was decided or was sketched to the cabinet officers. If Cervera has escaped, initiation of the plan will be postponed and the scheme will probably be rearranged. Meanwhile arrangements to carry out the plans are under way and won't be suspended unless definite assurances that Cervera has escaped are received. The military and naval program contemplates first the routing out of Cervera's ships in Santiago and if possible their capture, then an invasion of Cuba by a large army. After that, or simultaneous, will be the occupation of Porto Rico.

MANILA'S NEXT EXPEDITION

Will Comprise Four Ocean Liners, Carrying 5000 More Troops to the Philippines.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 27.—Preparations for the next expedition to Manila will be hastened. It can be stated on good authority that the expedition will sail next week. General Merritt will not go until all his forces have been dispatched to the islands. It is probable, however, that General Otis will sail with the next fleet, which will comprise the troop ships Zsalandi, Centennial, China and the Ohio. The two last named vessels were chartered by the government today. The four vessels will carry five thousand men. The China arrived this noon from Hong Kong, twenty-four hours ahead of time.

It is almost certain that the Pennsylvania and Minnesota regiments will go. Possibly the Seventh regiment of this state will also be sent. In addition two regiments of regulars, the Eighteenth and Twenty-third, now en route from New Orleans, will go with this expedition. The cruiser Philadelphia will in all probability carry General Merritt and his staff to Manila. Repairs on the vessel are being rushed and it is a matter of only a few days before she will be ready to sail.

NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE CASE

A New York Lawyer and Others Accused by Senor Jiminy—The Discovery an Important One.

KEY WEST, May 27.—In connection with the case of Senor Jiminy, who was seized as a spy on the prize steamship Panama on Wednesday, it is said that two men on the New York and another in Washington are to be arrested at once. One of these men is a lawyer, formerly in the employ of the Cuban colonial government. The others are said to be business men.

These men are supposed to be at the head of the Spanish secret service in the United States.

It is claimed that the Washington man has sent daily letters to his associate in New York, and that the latter cabled the contents in cipher to France to be finally transmitted from there to the authorities in Madrid.

There are several men suspected here and they may be arrested at any moment. It is said that one of these men paid \$750 for cable message to Havana in which he asked that \$10 be put to the credit of one Senorita Maria. The message of course was a blind.

Whooping Cough.

I had a little boy who was nearly dead from an attack of whooping cough. My neighbors recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I did not think that any medicine would help him, but after giving him a few doses of the remedy I noticed an improvement, and one bottle cured him entirely. It is the best cough medicine I ever had in the house.—P. E. Moore, South Bergetstown, Pa. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

SQUADRON HAS VANISHED

A Dispatch Boat Brings the News That Cervera Is Not in Sight—Schley at Present is Looking for Him.

PATIENCE AVAILED BUT LITTLE

The Wary Commander of the Spanish Squadron Has Once More Given the Americans the Slip—Cervera's Whereabouts a Mystery.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, [Aboard the Dispatch Boat Premier,] May 27.—Schley's squadron left out of Cienfuegos Tuesday night. For three days they had watched the entrance of the harbor of Cienfuegos, with every gun shotted and manned, almost positive that the Spaniards were inside. Not until dusk Tuesday, when the Marblehead and Eagle returned from a scouting expedition, in the course of which they connected with the insurgents ashore, was it learned positively that the Spanish fleet was not inside.

Nothing was left them then but to start out and hunt again, and this was done within an hour. A dispatch boat followed the fleet for a while; but on account of storms and the shortness of coal and water, put in here. On the way she was fired on by the Scorpion. The latter, thinking it had a prize, sent a boarding party aboard. They said the Spanish fleet was not at Santiago, and had not been seen, and started to rejoin Schley.

WHERE IS CERVERA'S FLEET

Doubt Is Expressed as to the Spanish Fleet Being Bottled Up—A Mistake Has Evidently Been Made.

KEY WEST, May 27.—Although Washington dispatches indicate that Cervera's fleet is bottled up at Santiago, no information is obtained here looking to the corroboration of this impression. Washington is in possession of the official news from both Sampson and Schley later than anything that has come in here; but still that does not carry a belief with everyone. Bulletins were received here Wednesday stating that the government officials were positive Tuesday night that Schley had the Spanish fleet hard and fast in Santiago, and yet Schley's fleet on Tuesday night was off Cienfuegos. The torpedo boat Dupont left that night for Key West, arriving here yesterday. Since then no dispatch boat has come to this port from Schley's fleet, and if the government has been communicated with it is through other cables.

INCIDENTS OF THE NAVAL CAMPAIGN

Spanish Reserve Squadron Sails—Important News Sent to Our Fleet in Cuban Waters.

MADRID, May 28.—It is officially announced that the Spanish reserve squadron commanded by Admiral Camara, has left Cadiz. Before going to its destination, the squadron will maneuver probably for several days in the open sea, afterwards sailing for the Philip-

pires, Cuba or the United States, as the government may judge more opportune. The squadron is understood to be composed of 10 or 12 vessels.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, May 28.—1:30 A. M.—United States Consul Dent has received instructions from Washington to forward to the United States fleet, if possible, certain cipher orders accompanying consular instructions. Mr. Dent, who is, of course, ignorant of the character of the orders, carried them in person to Port Maria, where it is believed a dispatch boat of the fleet was waiting by pre arrangement to receive the expected orders.

NEW YORK, May 28.—A dispatch from Key West says the cruiser Brooklyn landed a large quantity of war supplies at Cienfuegos on Tuesday. This is said to have been done after a fight in which the fort on the south side of Cienfuegos bay was badly damaged. There was also a fight between 700 insurgents and a Spanish cavalry force, the latter being defeated.

DIFFICULTY IN GETTING NEWS

Nothing Confirmatory Concerning Cervera's Whereabouts—He Has, in All Probability, Escaped.

NEW YORK, May 28.—A special received from the Laffan News Bureau in explanation of last night's report of Cervera's escape, says:

"Our Kingston story of last night merely quoted one of the Scorpion's officers as saying he had not located Cervera at Santiago. Schley's report to the war department late this afternoon gave no confirmation of the fact that he had Schley bottled up in Santiago harbor."

KEY WEST, May 28.—Advices received tonight state that Cervera has escaped, and his whereabouts are unknown. The Associated Press in its assertions concerning Cervera being bottled up was unwarranted by any facts, and their reports tonight have him escaped.

THE SITUATION AT MANILA

Dewey Has Cut the Last Telegraphic Communication Between Manila and Spain.

HONG KONG, May 28.—Dispatch boat Zafaria has just arrived, bringing Mr. Williams, former United States consul at Manila, to consult with Consul Wildman at Hong Kong, concerning the position of the insurgent force. The situation at Manila is unchanged. Aginaldo, the insurgent leader, has his headquarters at Cavita, and it is crowded with volunteers. He captured on Wednesday outside of Manila two bullock carts of ammunition and 4000 rifles, without loss of life.

The Spaniards have been using the cable line between Manila and Lloilo in connection with a swift steamer to Labuan, British North Borneo, whence there is cable connection with Spain. Dewey discovered this and cut the telegraph line, thus isolating Captain-General Augusti from communication with Spain. The captain-general insists that relief for Manila is on its way from Spain.

The best of health prevails on American ships at Manila.

NEW YORK, May 28.—A dispatch to the World from Manila via Hong Kong says:

The situation of the besieged inhabitants of Manila is growing more and more desperate, owing to the cutting off of supplies. The blockade by Dewey's squadron is complete, while the insurgents have surrounded the city on the land side, thus effectually closing the place in. Dewey has deferred further aggressive action at this point until the arrival of the cruiser Charleston with coal and ammunition, and of the promised troops for the military occupation of the islands.

I have been a sufferer from chronic diarrhoea ever since the war and have used all kinds of medicines for it. At last I found one remedy that has been a success as a cure, and that is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.—P. E. Grisham, Gaars Mills, La. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

INVASION TO BE DELAYED

Cuban Invasion to Be Delayed for an Indefinite Period—Porto Rico and Santiago Must Fall.

TROOPS TO ASSIST SCHLEY'S SQUADRON

At Least Fifteen Thousand Troops Will Be Sent to Aid in the Taking of Santiago and Cervera's Fleet.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—Reasoned by the dispatches from Schley regarding the location of Cervera's fleet, the government has taken steps to carry out immediately its schemes for the military occupation of Santiago province and Porto Rico.

The general campaign in Cuba must wait, not only on account of fully equipped troops for it, but because of the greatest interest of strategic warfare.

Orders were sent last night to Major-General Schafien at Tampa, directing that from fifteen to twenty thousand soldiers would be embarked at once. It is known that troops will be landed very soon in both Santiago province and Porto Rico, but not known which project will be carried out first. It is the intention of the government to land at least fifteen thousand troops in Santiago province at the earliest possible moment to co-operate with Schley's squadron in dislodging the Spanish fleet and reducing the city and its fortifications.

Equal eagerness is evident for the occupation of Porto Rico with a sufficient force to overcome the enemy and repel any attempt at recapture. It is the feeling in Washington out of official circles that an obvious plan to land forces in Santiago is being used to cover the immediate purpose of the administration to send troops to Porto Rico. Nothing more definite regarding military plans will be given out.

A telegram was sent to General Lee today directing him to proceed from Tampa to Jacksonville, where a detachment of troops is expected to embark. Preparations for embarking troops have been carried out so faithfully that no delay is expected in starting troops from Tampa and Jacksonville.

General Miles and staff left Washington for the South tonight; but unless his orders have been changed since Saturday, he will not command the expedition to Cuba or Porto Rico in person.

ADMIRAL DEWEY'S NEXT PLAN.

The Caroline Islands Will Be Seized—No Doubt About the Capture of the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—The complete capture of the Philippines by the army and navy of the United States will be followed by another important campaign in the South Pacific Caroline islands. The dependency of Spain, it is understood, will be seized. Some of Admiral Dewey's ships and possibly the admiral himself will undertake the conquest. It is the opinion here that the islands will fall an easy prey to our Pacific fleet unless Spain should send naval reinforcements to the Pacific, which is considered extremely probable. The Caroline islands have given the American government a good deal of trouble during the last few years because of the persecution of American missionaries.

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ATTACK ON MISSIONARIES

Chinese Mob Loots and Destroys American Mission.—Troops Ordered to Quell the Outbreak.

HONG KONG, May 28.—On Wednesday a Chinese mob looted and burned the American mission at Tong Chow near Wuchowfu. It is supposed that Mr. Glover and other members of the mission escaped.

E. C. Bedloe, United States vice consul at Canton, has requested the viceroy to dispatch troops to quell the outbreak against the missionaries.

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made, and that too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night; and with two bottles, has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." True writes W. C. Hamrick, of N. G. Trial bottle free at Blakeley & Houghton Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed.

WAS KILLED BY THE TRAIN

One of Montana's Soldier Boys Meets a Sudden and Violent Death.

BUTTE, Mont., May 27.—W. H. Bowen while attempting to bid his brother good-bye, on his departure for San Francisco with the troops, fell beneath the train and was killed.

PATRIOTISM IN KLICKITAT.

Many Goldendale Citizens Are Anxious to Enlist.

GOLDENDALE, Wash., May 28.—Capt. Hugh Phillips is kept busy these days, answering the questions of would-be volunteers. Many of them want to know if there is any possibility that the troops enlisted under the call will be landed on Cuban soil. The number of enlisted volunteers under Captain Phillips exceeds eighty.

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LINE TO BE FINISHED.

Receivership Action Against Tacoma-Columbia River Road Quashed.

TACOMA, May 28.—Receivership proceedings against the Tacoma & Columbia River railroad came to a halt this morning when a telegram from President Bailey, who is in New York, was read, stating that money had been raised to finish the road and clear up the financial difficulty. The road is now being built from this city south to the Columbia river.

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