

SPAIN OBJECTS NOT

Welcome to Aid Our Countrymen in Cuba.

MINISTER DE LOME GRATIFIED

He Regards McKinley's Message as Proof of Spain's High Standing With the Administration.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—In an authorized interview, the Spanish minister, Deputy de Lome, broke his diplomatic silence, and said:

"I am going at once to call on the president and express my gratitude for his splendid action and the kindly consideration shown in the wording of his message. Notwithstanding the activity of the papers that are hostile and unjust, our cause has again triumphed. We are stronger today with President McKinley and Secretary Sherman than we ever were with the Cleveland administration.

"Spain has no objections whatever to the United States helping her own citizens now resident in Cuba and alleged to be in distress. The way that the charity is distributed is entirely the affair of the United States and not that of Spain.

"This government expressly states that only Americans are to be relieved, therefore no authority is asked to feed the subjects of Spain. If Americans have suffered through exigencies of war, it is their misfortune to be in Cuba at this particular time. Spain does not care if the United States maintains her citizens in luxury, so long as she distributes her bounty through the consular agents and only in the towns."

WARSHIPS FOR CUBA LIBRE.

Four of Them to Begin Service When Belligerency is Recognized.

CHICAGO, May 19.—A special to the Times-Herald from New York says:

Behind the movement for the passage of the Cuban resolution is a solemn pledge made by the Cuban junta to its supporters in congress that four effective men-of-war flying the Cuban flag are only awaiting this recognition to take to the seas. These vessels, it is declared, will be obtained in England, and it is asserted that arrangements have already been perfected by which they will be manned, thoroughly equipped and ready to sail the very day the belligerency of the Cubans is recognized.

SUPPLIES FOR THE CUBANS.

More Arms and Ammunition Were Shipped Last Thursday.

WILMINGTON, N. C., May 19.—Four tons of arms and ammunition, and a cargo of dynamite were in all probability disembarked last night on the coast of Cuba, by the steam tug Alexander Jones and the pilot John D. Long. Under the cover of darkness, and with lights out, the Jones, Thursday night, at a railroad wharf, took on a cargo consisting of two carloads of rifles, cartridges, machetes, provisions and medicines. The pilot-boat Long, Friday, took on a cargo of dynamite and was conveyed to sea, where it joined the Jones for Cuba.

WHITE FLAG IS HOISTED.

Greek and Turkish Armies Are Resting on Their Arms.

ATHENS, May 19.—A dispatch from Lamia, dated 10 o'clock this morning, states that the white flag has been hoisted between the armies of Turkey and Greece and Prince Constantine has been ordered to suspend hostilities, with a view to concluding an armistice.

A panic prevails at Lamia, owing to the report that criminals will be released from jail. The arrival of troops during the night increased the general feeling of terror.

The army of the crown prince has reformed on Othry mountain, and will be reinforced by General Smolenski's brigade and the troops dispatched to the front from Athens yesterday.

First Day at Domokos.

DOMOKOS, May 17.—Headquarters of the Turkish Army.—(Delayed in transmission.)—The great battle fought well into the night is ended. The combat

can only be described as indecisive. The battle raged from early morning until long after dark. When the last dropping shots were passing over the field, the advantage did not appear to rest with either side.

The Greeks maintained their positions, having acquitted themselves so well as to have earned the hearty praises of the Turks. They resisted with stubborn endurance the attacks of the Ottomans through the livelong day, and still held their entrenchments at nightfall. The Turks made a supreme effort late this evening but it was met with the utmost bravery upon the part of the Greeks, and failed.

The Turkish losses were heavy. The left division of the Turks was engaged from 9 o'clock in the morning, and appears to have succeeded in forcing back the Greek right wing.

DOMOKOS, May 18.—6 a. m.—Headquarters of the Turkish Army.—(Delayed in transmission.)—In the night the Greeks abandoned all their positions. Two and a half divisions of the Turks are now pursuing the enemy.

Last Retreat in Epirus.

LONDON, May 19.—The correspondent of the Daily News at Patras describing the last retreat in Epirus with special reference to the experience of the Botcharis column at Prevesa, says:

One commander committed the mistake of informing his weary, hungry and rain-soaked troops that they must retreat. There was a narrow escape from a panic. The men retreated with fair order to the shore, with the exception of 200, who had apparently not been warned, and were therefore either killed or taken prisoners.

At the shore, however, a genuine panic ensued. The Turks were still quiet, but the Greeks finding no boats, fell into despair and finally started to wade across the arm of the sea dividing them from Greek territory. It was a two and a half hour job, the men floundering breast-high in the water. When dawn broke the Turks discovered what had happened, began to shell the groups of waders, whose position became most distressing. Many of them were drowned, some falling, wounded or stumbling out of their depth. The condition of the force when it finally reached a place of safety was in the last degree lamentable.

The total loss of the Epirus army during the day's fighting was 800 killed, 1000 wounded or missing, many of the latter of whom must be accounted for.

Losses By Flood.

ST. LOUIS, May 19.—A special to the Republic from New Orleans says: It is thought there will be no further damage done by the overflow. The losses in Louisiana are estimated at \$1,750,000; in Mississippi, \$8,500,000; and in Arkansas, at \$4,250,000, or a total of \$14,500,000; not as serious a loss as in many previous years of overflow, when the river was not nearly as high as it is now.

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NEW YORK, May 19.—A fire which started at 1:30 this morning at Newark avenue and First street, Jersey City, burned all through the night. Sixty families have been rendered homeless. The damage to tenement-houses is estimated at \$100,000. No fatalities are reported.

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—Only 9,437 bushels of rye were sent abroad last year, for which we received \$5,340. The fact that rye is a leading product in Germany, France, the Scandinavian countries and Russia accounts for the small export.

—J. E. Gore, writing on "The Size of the Solar System," says that "enormously large as the solar system absolutely is, compared with the size of our own earth, it is, compared with the size of the visible universe, merely as a drop in the ocean."

—An acute musical ear will detect a slight difference in tone between two notes as the one-sixty-fourth of a semitone. This means that in the 11 octaves that the human ear compasses there would be at least some 8,000 or 9,000 consciously different notes.

—Mullhall estimates that the total production of gold and silver since 1492 has been \$1,461,600,000; of this enormous amount, \$439,000,000 have gone to India and China, never to return; \$552,000,000 have been consumed in the manufactures and arts, and only \$469,600,000 have been minted or used as currency.

—Important improvements in Roentgen photography are announced from Berlin. The most interesting is a simple method of photographing the stomach and intestines. It is only necessary for the patient to drink some harmless solution of mineral salt, such as lime water, which is as impenetrable as bone to X rays, and excellent results are obtained.

FEMINE ELECTRICITY.

The Unflattering Term "Negative" Is Still Much Used.

From the beginning it had been noticed that there were two kinds of electric force, but these were named, with reckless discourtesy, positive and negative, as though the second had been inferior, inactive, merely receptive. And yet there were suggestions of the true relations of these two forces that should not have been overlooked. It is recorded that six years after the St. Petersburg professor's fatal experiment (about 1759), Robert Symmer, "when pulling off his stockings in the evening, remarked that they gave a crackling noise and emitted sparks."

By varied experiments he discovered that the electricity was most powerful when a silk and worsted stocking had been worn in the same leg, or if the stockings were both of silk, then more diverting results were obtained when they were of different colors. Two white silk stockings or two black ones gave no electrical indications. When a black and white stocking were with drawn from the same leg, and then separated, they were so much inflated that each showed the entire shape of the leg and at a distance of 18 inches they rushed to meet each other.

Separate, by force they would again become inflated, and be as ready to rush together as before. When this experiment was performed with two black stockings in one hand and two white in the other, the repulsion of those of the same color—their jealousy—and the attraction of those of different colors would "throw them into agitation and make them catch each at that of its opposite color at a greater distance." Plainly this eighteenth century student had to do with masculine and feminine electricity and yet the unflattering term "negative," as applied to the feminine, has persisted even to our day.—Harper's Weekly.

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