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WILL CUBA BE DEFENDED?

As matters stand the question should read, Can Cuba be defended? says the Globe-Democrat. The conditions for a vigorous defense are not in sight. Not a single armored Spanish ship covers any harbor in Cuba, while our powerful fleet is but a few hours distant from Havana. The harbor of that city is mined and covered by a few powerful guns. But the far more numerous of our ships have a greater range and should be able to knock the land batteries to pieces in a day's bombardment. It has been stated, and probably with truth, that the supply of heavy ammunition in Havana is short. Our fleet will not lack for this requisite. Probably Gen. Blanco can mass 20,000 or 30,000 men in the works around the city. But he is beleaguered at the outset, absolutely cut off from a base. It is not believed that he has supplies to last a month. The surrounding country is desolated and full of insurgents. The element of disaffection in the city has not been gauged.

At last the noisy jingoes of Havana begin to realize that Spain cannot risk a ship to defend them, or to send them supplies of food and ammunition.

Cuba's other ports are at the mercy of our squadron, except perhaps those at the east end of the island. Two Spanish armored cruisers are at Porto Rico. They could make no stand against our full fleet, but might attack one or two ships of their own class if caught isolated. Spain's main squadron is assembling at its home ports. It is outnumbered by our own. Would the Spanish ships dare advance, in inferior force, across 3000 miles of ocean without a certain haven of their own for coaling and repairs? It would be regarded as an insane act by any military authority. If the Spanish ships were headed for Porto Rico we can get there first. Without coal a modern warship is a mere drifting hulk at the mercy of an enemy fighting at the points of vantage.

Should the Spanish fleet under secret orders try to assail any of our ports we can concentrate against it by telegraph, and its precious coal would be going at every hour of the day and night.

Are the representatives of the American people in congress losing their senses? The scene enacted in the house of representatives the other day, and Turner's unjustifiable attack upon the president yesterday in the senate, would indicate an affirmative answer to the question noted above. What is needed more than anything else at the present time is cool-headed, conservative statesmanship, and less of hot-headed school-boy exhibitions of temper. This outbreak in congress will not go far in elevating that body in the esteem of the people.

The nomination of T. T. Geer for the gubernatorial chair by the Republican state convention means that he will be the next governor of Oregon. Mr. Geer is not a politician as that term is employed now a days. He is a thinker of high order; a worker of unusual energy, and a man against whose personal character not a word can be said. His popularity with the people has been demonstrated repeatedly by his elec-

tion to the legislature for successive terms, his selection as speaker of that body, and the fact that among the Republican electors at the last presidential election he polled the largest vote of any on the ticket. When Mr. Geer shall assume the duties of governor, the people may be sure he will give an administration of which the state shall feel proud. He will not be controlled by political motives, a statement which cannot be said concerning the present incumbent of this office.

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