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## Were Sighted Off Porto Rico

### Governor of Porto Rico Reports Vessels, Supposed to Be Sampson's Fleet.

MADRID, May 10.—The governor of Porto Rico reports that three suspicious looking foreign vessels have been sighted off the coast. It is supposed that they are ships of Sampson's squadron.

NEW YORK, May 10.—Nothing has been received at Washington concerning the expected battle between the Spanish fleet and Sampson's squadron as yet, but officials expect news by Thursday at the latest.

## DEATH ON THE ALASKA TRAIL

### Sudden Breaking of the Ice on Which the Goldseekers Were Walking Sent Them to Their Doom Without a Moment's Warning.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 9.—A special to the Examiner from Victoria says:

On Monday last the ice covering a stream in a defile near Crater lake gave way under the passing throng of Klondikers, and more than a score of men were precipitated into the water and carried to certain death beneath the river's frozen coating.

Dr. J. F. Frizelle, of Los Angeles, who came down on the Al-Ki and who brings the news, passed the scene only a few hours after the calamity occurred. It was on the other side of the summit between Lindemann and the long lake, at a point in the canyon some 14 miles above Stonehouse, where an ice slide over a mountain stream had been utilized as a path for sleds by the fortune seekers.

A number of men were advancing in almost unbroken rank, each hauling his laden sled, when at 8 o'clock in the morning there was a crash. The ice opened for 30 feet or more, and in an instant 22 men with their supplies were whirled down and under the smooth surface of the stream to drown without even the chance of battling for life.

The names of the victims of the ice-break Frizelle cannot give. There is no possibility of identifying them now, he says, nor can the names be announced with positiveness until the bodies are delivered by the stream at the lake or the disappearance of the ice.

Four Montana and two California men are thought to have been among the victims, while the other included an Eastern party of seven, almost all being remembered only by the nicknames which Western freedom has given them.

## THE OREGON NOW AT BAHIA

### A Spanish Warship Visits St. Thomas—The St. Paul Has Put to Sea—Nine Spanish Vessels Sighted Off Cape Espichel.

WASHINGTON, May 9.—A dispatch from Bahia, Brazil, today announces the arrival there of the battle-ship Oregon. It is said her arrival at Bahia was in accordance with instructions from Washington.

The cruiser New Orleans, Captain Folger, arrived at Hampton Roads this morning, and joined the flying squadron. The new cruiser was watched with great interest by Commodore Schley and staff. They expressed great admiration for the new vessel. She evidently

is better fitted than the detached Columbia, though not so fast. The Minneapolis will come down this afternoon fully coalled, and the squadron will then consist of three cruisers, two battleships and a converted yacht.

The auxiliary cruiser St. Paul, Sigsbee commanding, put to sea from Delaware breakerwater this morning. Her destination is not known.

Regarding the movements of the enemy's warships little is known here, or at least little is made public. A dispatch from St. Thomas, West Indies, says the Spanish ironclad cruiser Isabel II arrived there this morning, and, after communicating with the Spanish consul, cleared immediately. Here destination is unknown. A Lisbon dispatch says it is reported in that city that the Spanish fleet, consisting of nine vessels, passed Cape Espichel, twenty-one miles southwest of this port yesterday. The fleet was steering in a southerly course.

## ARRANGING FOR TRANSPORTATION

### The City of Pekin Put in Shape for the California Troops—A Full Quota of Volunteers Ready.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 9.—The steamer City of Pekin, which has been anxiously awaited, arrived in port shortly after 6 o'clock this evening. She will discharge her cargo with very little delay. Supplies and ammunition which are all in readiness will be placed on board, and arrangements for the accommodation of the troops which the steamer may be expected to carry, will only require the work of a few hours.

If the authorities at Washington desire it, the Peking can undoubtedly be dispatched to Deyey's aid by Thursday.

A full quota of California troops are now in San Francisco. Two battalions of infantry and one battery of artillery arrived this morning, making up the full complement of troops wanted.

All troops will be mobilized with the regular army at the Presidio, for service at the Philippines. These troops will be examined today by the medical board and they will be mustered into the service of the United States tomorrow. The California volunteers will then be completed.

## LARGE ARMY TO INVADE CUBA

### General Miles Favors the Sending of a Force Sufficient to Defeat the Hundred Thousand Spaniards.

WASHINGTON, May 9.—Sixty-six thousand men will go to Cuba. This is the latest information from General Miles' office. An army of this kind is altogether out of proportion to what it was proposed to send only ten days ago, then it

was only 6000 instead of 66,000, and not only that the transports which were engaged were chartered only for one round trip.

It was intended to land supplies of food and arms for the insurgents to back up their efforts to maintain a support of their own, with a small force of United States regulars, and then withdraw until a great naval conflict shall have been fought. Dewey's victory in the Philippines and the utter inability of the authorities to chase up reports concerning the movements of the Spanish warships and the troubles in Porto Rico, which have culminated in such great destruction of American property there, have all led to a radical departure from the original program.

From the outset General Miles has favored invading Cuba with a large army. He has not put much faith in the ability of the insurgents to send him reinforcements, and consequently he has insisted that the troops behind him shall be sufficient in numbers to conquer at least 100,000 Spanish soldiers. Then, too, the question arose as to legal authority for carrying arms and food to the Cuban insurgents.

It was clearly the intention of congress that the suffering in Cuba should be relieved, and it was for that purpose ostensibly at least that war was begun.

## EXPEDITION TO CUBA

### Its Purpose is to Arm and Equip the Patriots.

TAMPA, Fla., May 9.—The United States has begun the work of arming and equipping the patriots in Cuba. An expedition will leave Port Tampa in the morning on board the transport Gussie. It will be in command of Captain Dorst, of the Fourth cavalry, and will carry 7000 rifles and 200,000 rounds of ammunition to the Cubans, besides sufficient rations. Two companies of the First infantry will go along as guards. Dorst is the man who successfully landed in Cuba, near Havana, last week and delivered to Col. Delgado, of the insurgent forces, rifles and a large amount of ammunition.

## CONNECTIONS TO BE RESTORED

### Dewey Will Fix the Manila Cable so That Advances Can Be Sent From the Philippine Island to the Outside World.

HONG KONG, May 9.—When the United States dispatch boat McCulloch sailed yesterday from here on her return trip to Manila, she took with her an operator, who will work on the cable connecting the Philippine capital with the outside world.

The cable was cut by Dewey fifteen miles from Manila at the entrance to the bay, and both ends were attached to buoys.

## DEWEY AN ADMIRAL

### President Makes the Promotion and Congress Confirms It.

WASHINGTON, May 9.—In accordance with the recommendation of the president, embodied in a message to congress this morning, that body today passed a resolution of thanks to Commodore (now admiral) Dewey, and the officers and crews of the vessels of his squadron, for their brilliant achievement in defeating the Spanish fleet in Manila bay, and in capturing the fortifications and defenses at Cavite. A bill was also passed promoting Dewey to the rank of admiral.

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## ENCOUNTER WITH THE SPANIARDS

### Three American Ships Fired Upon in the Act of Landing Transports on the Cuban Coast.

HAVANA, May 9.—While three American ships were trying to land men near Cardenas they were attacked by the Spanish gunboats, Antonio Lopez, Aleria and Ligera. Firing continued at long range for an hour. None of the Spaniards were injured. The Americans retired, apparently not having sustained any damage.

The steamer LaFayette, which was captured by the Annapolis and subsequently released, discharged her cargo here. The Washington government sent notice that the steamship would not be allowed to leave Havana unless her cargo was re-loaded. This was done, and the steamer will sail tomorrow.

## DISORDER IN SPAIN ON THE INCREASE

### Riots Have Broken Out at Cadiz and Alcantar--Trouble at Many Other Points is Imminent.

MADRID, May 9.—The disorder in the Spanish provinces is increasing. Riots have now broken out at Cadiz and Alcantar, and trouble is expected to spread to parts of the country which have hitherto been quiet. At Martos men, women and children have been parading the streets, crying: "Death to the thieves!"

Serious rioting occurred at Linars yesterday. A mob attacked the town hall, tore out windows and threw everything moveable into the street. A conflict between the civil guards and rioters resulted, it is said, in the death of fourteen persons. Sixty were wounded. Reinforcements were asked for.

The political situation here is unchanged. Everybody appears loathe to assume responsibilities of accepting office under the existing condition of affairs.

## MISS BIRD'S HORRIBLE FATE.

### Was Fatally Burned Sunday, and Died About Midnight.

PORTLAND, May 9.—Miss Mary Bird, 18 year old, died at St. Vincent's hospital shortly before last midnight from burns she received in the afternoon.

While her parents were visiting the grave of a child in Lone Fir cemetery, Miss Bird started to prepare supper for some of the younger children at their home on Tenth and Lovejoy streets, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

While she was cooking, some grease spilt from a pan on top of the stove and caught fire. In attempting to quench it Miss Bird's dress also ignited, and she ran out into the street to save the children, who were trying to help her. A large crowd was attracted, but assistance came too late.

She was taken to St. Vincent's hospital and died at midnight.

## FITZ YIELDS TO PRESSURE.

### Challenges of Kid McCoy and Corbett Accepted.

BOSTON, MASS., May 9.—Bob Fitzsimmons has announced his acceptance of the offer of Kid McCoy to pay the champion \$10,000 for a fight at middle-weight; also his acceptance of the offer of Corbett of \$25,000 for an opportunity to regain the heavy-weight championship. Fitzsimmons will meet either man before the club offering the largest purse, but he will insist on a side bet of \$10,000 in each case, and both matches must take place before the last of September this year.

## The Spaniards Put to Flight

### Torpedo-boat Winslow Routs Three Spanish Gunboats--No Damage Done.

KEY WEST, May 9.—A dispatch boat tonight brought news of an encounter off Cardenas bay yesterday afternoon between the torpedo boat Winslow and three Spanish gunboats. One gun-boat is apparently disabled and all were put to flight. The Winslow was in the bay when the gunboats suddenly appeared and began firing with six-pounders. The Winslow replied with her one-pounders, at the same time heading for the gunboats. The surprised Spaniards fired wildly, failing to hit the Winslow. One of the Winslow's shots hit the gunboat Piuzon and the others were obliged to go to her assistance, after which all three retreated. The gunboat Machias arrived just in time to fire at the fleeing Spaniard.

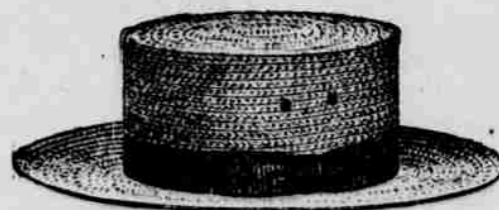
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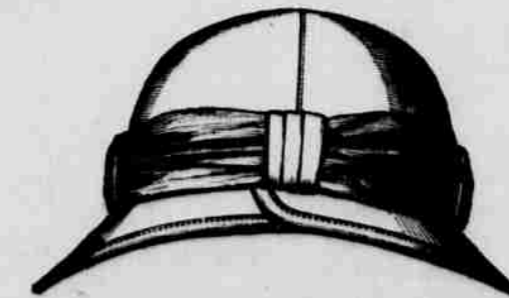


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