

ENGAGEMENT AT CABANAS

Spanish Troops Resist the Landing of Troops From the Steamer Gussie, but are Forced to Retreat.

KEY WEST, May 13.—The transport steamer Gussie, which left here with a big expedition for Cuba Wednesday night, had a lively engagement with the Spanish at Cabanas, province of Pinar del Rio, yesterday, but succeeded in accomplishing her mission. The Gussie carried 7000 rifles and a large amount of ammunition for the Cubans.

After a rough voyage the Gussie was met off the Cuban coast by the auxiliary gunboats Wasp and Manning, which escorted her in.

KEY WEST, May 13.—The details of the first landing of United States regulars on Cuban soil a few miles west of Havana yesterday show that the troops entered into the work with the utmost enthusiasm and energy. Two score men who were detailed to go ashore showed that they appreciated the honor by "wading in," literally and figuratively. Most of the men were spilled out of their boats into the surf, but dripping wet, from head to foot, they sprang upon the shelving beach, some of them emptying the water out of the muzzles of their guns, and immediately deployed in the skirmish line, and with a yell started for the underbrush some thirty or forty feet away. The Spaniards in the meantime had begun firing and bullets were cutting the air about the heads of the boys in blue. The only person to be touched was J. F. J. Archibald, now with the San Francisco Post. A bullet grazed his left arm, just barely bringing blood. A shower of missiles did not stop their onward rush for a moment. Firing as they ran, soldiers gained the shelter of trees, adopting Indian tactics—each man and officer fighting for himself. They gained the top of the rise, and were able to look over into the cleared space of a sugar plantation beyond. There they saw Spanish troops in full retreat along the road leading to Havana. They continued the pursuit for nearly two miles, and the officers had hard work to stop them then.

Captain Dorst, who had followed the men ashore, had to order trumpeters to sound the recall, as the men had all disappeared in the underbrush and were eagerly chasing the Spaniards. When they did return they presented the appearance of a band of Sherman's "bummers," coming back from a foraging expedition. Before going into the fight they had stripped down to trousers, shirts, hats and boots, both for the sake of convenience and because the weather was sultry. On coming out of the bushes they were wearing articles of Spanish clothing, carrying Spanish accoutrements and chewing Spanish tobacco. Some of them had picked up Mauser rifles, while one had a sword belonging to an officer who had been killed. The preliminary work of the expedition was successfully accomplished.

REAL SIDE OF ARMY LIFE

Many Hardships are Being Endured by the California Troops on Account of Tardiness of the Government.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 13.—The war department is very tardy in supplying clothing to the members of the four batteries of artillery stationed near Fort Mason, and as a consequence men are quivering from cold. They have no overcoat, no extra clothing, no bedding, except single blankets for each man, and only the bare floors of the wooden mill on which to sleep. The men do not grumble, but their shivering forms and blue faces tell the story. The whole trouble seems to be that no one is an authority, as General Merriam, in command of the department, is in Portland

and does not know, or does not seem to know, what suffering the men are undergoing. One of the men remarked: "It serves us right for not having better sense than to leave home and business to fight for country without first having a guarantee that we would be properly treated, fed and clothed."

SCHLEY'S FLEET ORDERED TO SAIL

The Destination Will Be Havana, the Object Being to Protect Small Vessels There—Spanish Fleet's Destination Cienfuegos.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—The navy department was thrown into a state of great excitement today by the official confirmation of the presence in the Port de France Martinique of the Spanish armada. The cabinet was summoned and no matters except the fleet's movement were considered. The first act of the administration on learning this was to order Schley's squadron to sail at once. It is believed the squadron has orders to go to Havana to protect the mosquito fleet and small ships which since Sampson's squadron sailed have, under Commodore Remy, been maintaining the blockade. The slight difference in the distance between Hampton Roads and Havana, and between the latter and Martinique, makes it a race between the two fleets. It is believed by naval strategists that the destination of the Spanish fleet is not Porto Rico, but Cienfuegos, from which point Havana is easy of access by rail. The Spanish fleet conveys two transport ships, carrying troops and abundant supplies for Blanco.

PLOTTED ATTACK ON MANILA

Dewey's Marines May Make a Landing --Spanish Plots Hatching.

HONG KONG, May 13.—The insurgent general, Gonzales, has communicated with Admiral Dewey, commanding the American fleet, urging joint attack on Manila of the marines and blue jackets of the war ships with a body of insurgents. The fortifications at Cavite, which are now practically useless, are guarded by the marines. The Spanish troops, including many of the injured, are in Cavite, a half mile from the fort, while Gonzales was being taken out to the Olympia. At 3 o'clock in the morning the Raleigh fired upon the small boat by mistake. No damage was done. The American officers are much fatigued from unceasing duty and long watches.

It is rumored that a Spanish plot is hatching to attempt to re-take the navy yard.

BAD ACCIDENT TO A BICYCLIST

An Astoria Boy Very Seriously Injured Through Carelessness.

ASTORIA, May 13.—This afternoon a 14-year-old boy attempted to ride a bicycle over a plank spanning the slip, opening at the main street dock, and fell. His face struck a portion of the machinery used in lowering or raising the slip, causing a frightful wound on the right temple and the nose. The injuries are serious, but he may recover.

The returns of the salmon catch continue light. No fish from the hatcheries are expected this year on account of the failure of propagation in the Clackamas during high water of 1894, but it is believed that the shortage from that source will be made up by an increase from the natural propagation that same year. Many more salmon than usual are reaching the spawning grounds.

SAN JUAN CAPITULATES

Maxfield, of the Signal Service, Authority for the Statement.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—A telegram was received at the White House this evening from Captain Maxfield, officer of the signal service in New York, reporting that San Juan had capitulated to Sampson. Naval officers put faith in this as Maxfield has means of securing accurate advices from Hayti.

SAMPSON'S OFFICIAL REPORT

Bombardment Lasted Three Hours and the Batteries and a Portion of the City Were Badly Damaged.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—This morning the navy department received the following dispatch from Admiral Sampson, dated St. Thomas, May 12:

"A portion of the squadron under my command reached San Juan this morning at daybreak. No armed vessel were found in port. As soon as it was sufficiently light I commenced an attack upon the batteries defending the city. This attack lasted about three hours, and resulted in much damage to the batteries and incidentally to the portion of the city adjacent to the batteries. The batteries replied to our fire, but without material effect. One man was killed on board the New York and several wounded in the squadron. No serious damage to any ships resulted.

SAMPSON." Admiral Sampson's statement that he attacked with only a portion of his fleet is taken to indicate that he did not find it expedient to take the entire squadron into the harbor, although it is not believed he has divided his fleet. The navy department officials were at a loss to know how his dispatch reached St. Thomas until an Associated Press dispatch announced the presence of the Yale at that place.

OVATIONS TO VOLUNTEERS

First Battalion Received Rousing Receptions on Their Way South.

SANTA BARBARA, May 13.—The four companies of the Oregon volunteers, each thirty-eight strong, arrived on the 7 o'clock train and at once marched to their camping grounds at the Presidio. Their journey down from Oregon was a triumphal progress, and the spoils saved from the journey were sufficient to fill their stomachs in camp for several days.

At every station the country folks met the train with cheers and donations of things to eat. The citizens at Ashland boarded the train and stocked them with all manner of delicacies. This morning, as soon as the battalion had laid aside its complements, camp fires were built and coffee kettles were soon singing over the bright flames. Canned meats, fruits, sandwiches and other unmilitary food were brought out and the battalion broke their fast. Superadded to contributed delicacies were the regular army rations which the men carried with them. Cans of coffee went from hand to hand and Oregon's first volunteers had eaten salt of the government.

Seventeen commissioned officers eyed the rank and file stowing away their rations under their belts and were half angry at straps that kept them from the edibles.

At 11 o'clock the officers made a combined breakfast and luncheon, most of

them not having an opportunity since last night, notwithstanding the despiriting effect of cold canned meat on a wet day after an early march.

The stout hearted of the battalion were in the best of humor and laughed at their situation. As soon as the tents arrived the men went into shelter.

CHAOS REIGNS AT NEUVITAS

Whole City in Mortal Terror of An Attack By American Vessels--Gen. Lopez Says That Spain Cannot Fight the United States.

NEW YORK, May 13.—A dispatch to the World from Neuvas, Cuba, by way of Faneau, New Providence, says:

Chaos reigns at Neuvas. Every boat in the harbor has been jammed into the narrow channel to be sunk at the first sign of attack. Two thousand soldiers guard the entrance, twelve miles from the city. The Spanish commander told the starving citizens to go into the country, as he could not feed them. Many soldiers are joining the insurgents to get food. Conditions at Puerto Principe are still worse.

A column of 5000 Spaniards started for Moron, carrying a flag of truce. When fired upon by the insurgents, the commander sent word that he was no longer making war upon the Cubans, but was going to the coast to fight the Americans. General Lopez replied:

"Spain cannot fight the United States without fighting us. Their war is ours." Then he again opened fire. The Spaniards lost 900 men in four days' march to the sea.

SPIES ACTING SUSPICIOUSLY

Several Passengers on the Santa Rosa are Being Watched.

SANTA BARBARA, May 13.—A sensational rumor was current this afternoon, after the arrival of the Santa Rosa, to the effect that about a dozen suspicious passengers were aboard, who were supposed to be Spaniards. The captain's suspicions were aroused on his arrival at Port Harford, where the parties communicated with another suspicious character and left some freight. It is reported that the suspects endeavored to gain a knowledge of the ship, even to the engine room. The captain had a watch put over them. Their destination said to be San Diego.

PLOT TO KILL LEE.

An Accomplice Revealed the Scheme--Investigation Made--Lee Warned.

PHILADELPHIA, May 13.—The recruiting station here has been warned by a merchant that one of his employees had disclosed to him a plot to assassinate General Lee. According to the man's story the plot originated in New York. The man joined in it, but weakened for fear he might be chosen as the assassin. Captain Craige, in command of the recruiting station, communicated with the war department, and an investigation is now going on here and in New York, and General Lee has been warned.

MAHER KNOCKED OUT.

Joe Goddard Gets in a Lucky Blow and Wins Over His Powerful Opponent.

PHILADELPHIA, May 13.—Peter Maher was knocked out in the first round by Joe Goddard at the Arena tonight. The fight was a vigorous one from the tap of the gong until the knockout blow was struck, and it was only a question as to who could get in the first blow, as both are powerful men. Goddard being the lucky one, knocked his opponent out in the first round.

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There promises to be a man famine in Umatilla county when harvesting begins next July, says the Pendleton Tribune. It is estimated that at least 400 men that usually work in the harvest fields have left the county for Alaska and the war during the last few months. There is little likelihood of their returning before the next harvest begins, and there are none to take their places. All told there are 2000 men given work here during the harvest season. Four hundred have left, necessitating 400 others taking their places, leaving the market of farm hands departed. And there seems no remedy. The Inland Empire and the entire West complain of a similar condition.

Millions Given Away!

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on Blakeley & Houghton, druggists, and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50c. and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

Notice to Water Consumers.

On and after May 1, 1898, those below the bluff will be allowed to irrigate on the even days in the month, and those on the bluff on the odd days, from 6 to 8 o'clock a. m. and 6 to 8 p. m., and at no other time. These rules will be strictly enforced. The rate for irrigation will be \$1.50 per month for each lot 50x100 feet, and a proportionate amount for less space. J. B. CROSSIN, Superintendent.

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