

SANTIAGO BOMBARDED

Fourteen American Warships Open Fire on the Fortifications--The Forts Respond With Little Damage to the Fleet--Schley Said to Have Entered the Harbor--Many Inhabitants Flee From the City.

CAPE HAYTIEN, May 31.—A dispatch, which has just been received from Santiago, states that the American squadron, under Commodore Schley, which has been blockading the port for a number of days, began to bombard the fortifications at 2 o'clock this afternoon, the evident intention being to reduce them in order to get at Cervera's squadron, which is at anchor in the bay.

The American fleet comprised fourteen vessels. The dispatch says that among the attacking vessels was one which seemed to be the New York, flying the flag of Rear-Admiral Sampson.

There is great excitement in Santiago. The Spanish residents fearing that the Americans will soon be in possession of the city, when the firing commenced, many of the men, whose sympathies were with the rebels, started for the insurgent lines, which are but a short distance from the town, to offer their services.

The fighting began just about 2 p. m., when the signal to begin the battle was set on the Brooklyn. Owing to the height of the hill on which Morro Castle is situated it was impossible for the Americans to run in close to the shore and elevate their guns to a sufficient height to do any great amount of damage.

Consequently the big ships with rifles stood some distance off the shore from where they could pour in more effective discharges, while the smaller vessels nearer the shore devoted their attention to the sand and mortar batteries on the shore beneath Morro Castle.

By standing off shore the big vessels had plenty of water to maneuver in when they passed to and fro before the entrance to the harbor.

Some of the shells from the big rifles went clear over Morro Castle landing in the other fortifications on the same side of the entrance. Thousands of persons, when they found that the shells did not reach the city, went to points of vantage where they could witness part of the bombardment.

The sound of the bombardment was deafening, but whether or not the Americans entered the bay is not known. It is reported they did, but this is doubted, as it is scarcely supposed Schley would attempt to run the forts, through a channel which is known to be filled with mines. It may be that Schley did enter the harbor for a short distance, and is now awaiting a more favorable opportunity to proceed up the bay and engage the Spanish warships. It is certain that the ferocity ceased shortly after 4:00. Just before it ceased the cannonading was the heaviest of the day.

SPANIARDS WANT VOLUNTEERS

Offer Prizes to Natives--Dewey's Officers Training Aguinaldo's Men--Spaniards Taught a Lesson.

HONG KONG, May 31.—The late Spanish governor of Cavite and 2,000 men are at San Roque, five miles from Cavite and Malabon. They are offering prizes for native volunteers, and have won Aguinaldo's cousin, Baldemero, by making him general.

Aguinaldo's men are being trained by Dewey's naval officers. Aguinaldo offers to fight with machettes only, if Dewey gives the word, and no one questions his bravery and patriotism. All the Chinese shops in Manila have been closed. The Hong Kong government will explain the temporary seizure and search of United States Consul Wildman's launch.

Admiral Dewey has had to teach the Spanish forces in Manila another sharp lesson. He had promised that if the Spaniards refrained from strengthening their defenses, he would not do any bombardment. One week ago Spaniards were observed violating their pledge, and Admiral Dewey fired a shot over their heads as a warning. Nobody was hurt, and the work on the fortifications was stopped immediately.

CHASED BY AN UNKNOWN STEAMER

Experience of the British Battle-ship Renown While on Her Way From Bermuda.

NEW YORK, May 31.—A World special from Halifax, N. S., says: The British battle-ship Renown has arrived here from Bermuda with a story of a chase at sea by a strange steamer. She left Bermuda at 12:30 p. m. and steamed fast. Yesterday at 11:30 o'clock the smoke of a steamer was some miles astern. The vessel gradually gained upon the battle-ship until the stranger could be plainly outlined on the horizon. She was apparently pursuing the battleship. She slowed down when within a short distance of the battleship, and passed astern to the westward. The steamer did not show her colors.

She was schooner-rigged with two funnels.

Those on the Renown thought she was an auxiliary cruiser. She was large and very fast. The rest of the British North Atlantic squadron will cruise in the West Indies all summer.

The officers of the Renown say the defeat and annihilation of the Spanish fleet is only a matter of time.

WILL LEAVE CHICKAMAUGA

Eight Regiments of Troops Will Get Away Within Forty-Eight Hours.

CHATTANOOGA, May 31.—Preparations for the departure of eight regiments from Chickamauga are being vigorously pushed today, and indications are that they will all get away during the next forty-eight hours. The First Illinois, First Ohio, One Hundred and Fifty-seventh Indiana and Third Pennsylvania are scheduled to leave tonight. The second detachment, which will probably leave tomorrow, will be composed of the Second New York, the Sixty-ninth New York, the First District of Columbia and the fifth Maryland.

It is now generally believed the various regiments encamped in the park will be sent to Tampa as soon as they are in fit condition.

MORRO CASTLE BOMBARDED

Lasted Less Than Three Hours--Fortifications Suffer Severely--Attack Confined to the Forts.

PORT AU PRINCE, June 1.—A dispatch received at midnight says that fourteen American warships bombarded Morro castle, La Socopa and Punta Gorda, which suffered severely from the bombardment, which lasted less than two hours. Nothing is said by the Spaniards about the loss of life or property, and nothing about an engagement with the Spanish fleet, the attack apparently having been confined to the forts.

A Missouri Command for Bryan. ST. LOUIS, May 31.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Jefferson City says: Governor Stevens today offered the command of a Missouri regiment to William J. Bryan, of Nebraska, "in view of the fact that he (Bryan) cannot lead a regiment from his late."

ALL SANTIAGO CABLES CUT

This Completely Cuts Blanco Off From Madrid -- Another Capture Made by the Americans.

KEY WEST, May 31.—The St. Paul has completed the cutting on all the Santiago cables off Cape Maysel. This completely cuts Blanco off from communication with Madrid.

On May 21st off the coast of San Juan the American cruiser captured a large bark loaded with 2200 tons of coal. Under the coal were suspicious looking cases, which have not yet been opened. The bark was the Maria DeLores from Bilbao, bound for San Juan.

THE HAWAIIAN ANNEXATION

Annexation Bill Will Not be Tacked to the War Revenue Bill.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Senator Lodge has decided not to formally offer the Hawaiian annexation proposition as an amendment to the war revenue bill, but thinks the final adjournment of congress can be delayed in order to allow the Hawaiian question to be disposed of at this session.

Morgan said today that it was his purpose to press his measure providing a form of government for territory acquired in the present war as an amendment to the war revenue bill.

TAFFE'S BILL OBJECTED TO

He Has Taxed Disbursements Amounting to \$646.80.

PORTLAND, May 31.—The case of the United States vs. I. H. Taffe, which was supposed to have been settled for a time upon the awarding by the court of damages in the sum of \$1000 for the lands of the defendant at Celilo condemned for the purpose of a boat railway, will come

up before Judge Bellinger tomorrow morning in a new phase.

Taffe put in a cost bill, covering the three trials of the case, in the sum of \$646.80. To this United States District Attorney John Hall, in behalf of the government, objects.

Among the items objected to and which make the bill run up so high, are two charges for surveying. Upon the first trial of the cause the surveyor's bill was \$110 and upon the second trial \$100. An item of \$125 for abstracting is also objected to. Three attorney's fee in the sum of \$20 each are charged up, and the United States district attorney claims that only one is chargeable. The United States marshal's fee of \$15 for taking Taffe and J. W. Walker to Celilo with the jury is also objected to. Other items are the cost of making a copy of the judge's charge amounting to \$225 and several witness fees.

If all of the objections to the bill are sustained it will be reduced by nearly two-thirds of the present amount.

Sailors on the Cruiser Boston Ill.

HONG KONG, May 31.—According to Manila advices dated May 27th, there is serious illness on board the United States cruiser Boston. It is believed that the Spaniards poisoned the fish.

The anti-British demonstrations at Manila are intensifying. The queen's portraits are insulted, and all foreigners are preparing to take refuge at Cavite.

Sutro May Possibly Recover.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 31.—It is stated that there is a possibility of Adolph Sutro partly recovering his health, notwithstanding that his physicians have pronounced his mental and physical condition incurable. Today he was able to sit by a window and watch the passing of a body of troops. He also discussed business matters on which for some time his mind has been a blank.

Hon. H. S. Wilson for Circuit Judge.

Hon. H. S. Wilson, Republican candidate for circuit judge, is a native of Vermont, in which state he received his education and resided up to the time of his removal to The Dalles. He was graduated from the University of Vermont, at Burlington, in 1881, and soon after commenced the study of law. He was admitted to the bar of Vermont, where he early won an enviable position. Since he became a resident of Wasco county he has established for himself a reputation as an exceptionally accurate, clear and learned lawyer. His opinions upon legal questions are promptly formed and remarkably accurate. He is a man of great independence, industry and integrity.

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