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## CRUISER ST. PAUL AT NEW YORK

Sigsbee Says He Has Plenty of Target Practice Off Santiago.

## MAPS MADE OF THE FORTIFICATIONS

Sigsbee Believes Schley Has Cervera Securely Bottled Up in the Harbor at Santiago--Conference With Bunce.

NEW YORK, June 3.—The Auxiliary cruiser St. Paul, Sigsbee commanding, came into port early today. Sigsbee went ashore and proceeded to the navy-yard, where he had a conference with Admiral Bunce.

After his visit Sigsbee relaxed from his reserve sufficiently to tell the reporter that the St. Paul had target practice right along from his arrival at Santiago, May 22d, at which place he discovered the Spanish fleet under Admiral Cervera. Sigsbee thinks there is no doubt that Commodore Schley has the Spanish squadron securely bottled up at Santiago de Cuba.

Knowing the Spanish fleet needed coal very badly, Sigsbee said he made every effort to see that they did not get it, and on May 25th the St. Paul captured the Restormel with twenty-four hundred tons of coal, directly under the guns of the fort and within easy range.

While cruising before Santiago, Sigsbee went in so close to the harbor that he was able to make sketches of the fortifications, which were sent to Washington today.

## FIERCE BATTLE IS EXPECTED

Schley Reports That the Battle of Santiago Will be the Bloodiest of the War With Spain.

## IS CERVERA STILL AT SANTIAGO DE CUBA

Nothing Definite Received to Confirm Statements as to His Whereabouts The Cristobal Colon Certainly in the Harbor.

WASHINGTON, June 3.—Commodore Schley has demonstrated to the president and the navy department in dispatches received from him today that Santiago de Cuba is likely to be the scene of the bloodiest battle of the war. The fortresses guarding the entrance to the harbor are so strong and their guns so effective that he thought it prudent to try first conclusions with them at a distance of four miles.

The commodore's dispatches were laid before the president and his cabinet, and subsequently fuller details were bulletined at the navy department. It is now quite evident that Schley, after making observations and before firing on Santiago fortresses, sent for

Sampson and a large part of the rear admiral's squadron.

Schley's dispatches made it manifest to the president and his cabinet that the final battle at Santiago will be the turning point of the war, and that place can only be assaulted successfully by the combined American fleets.

The navy department bulletin confirms in all important details the Journal's vivid description of last Tuesday's engagement.

The bulletin issued at this late day is important only for its suggestions. Two lines are important, with significant reading between them. First, that the decisive battle now pending or in progress, must be at long range.

Second, that the forts are well supplied with large long range guns.

This clearly implies that the combined fleet of Schley and Sampson will be required to do the work.

Schley on the 29th of May, after receiving reports, sketches and observations from Sigsbee on the St. Paul, sent Capt. Sigsbee to find Sampson. The rear-admiral moved, according to all reports, on Monday night to make a junction with Schley. In the meantime, on May 31st, Schley forced the Santiago forts to reveal their place and power.

The last reports from Sampson were by Sigsbee, who met the rear admiral moving east along the north shore of Cuba. Sampson was then conveying part of a transport fleet, and this fact explains why Sampson had not arrived at Santiago de Cuba on Tuesday at 1:45 p. m. when Schley opened fire on the batteries.

The bulletin was commented on unfavorably by some of the department people. They said that there is nothing in the text to affirm without qualification that Cervera's squadron is in Santiago harbor.

The department, it is noted, did not think it necessary to report in the space of the bulletin issued the official statements of either Sigsbee or Schley, and the press reports confirm the fact that at least the Cristobal Colon was in evidence on the day of the engagement.

## SPAIN LOOKING FOR PEACE

Sagasta Has Been Charged to Ask for the Intervention of the European Powers.

## FAULT FOUND WITH THE DEPARTMENT

Requests Made by Senators and Governors, Concerning the Mustering in of Volunteers, War Department Asked to Rescind its Ruling.

WASHINGTON, June 3.—Considerable significance is attached in official circles here to the dispatch from London that Sagasta has been charged to ask the European powers to intervene to obtain peace between Spain and the United States, upon such terms as will protect Spain's pride.

The reasons suggested for such intervention will be a considerable loss of trade to commercial nations by the continuance of the war. There is a belief current that within a short period the French ambassador will go, as the representative of Spain, and the other European governments with some proposition, looking to a treaty of peace, to the secretary of state. It is generally recognized that if hostilities continue, Spain will lose not only Cuba, but also Porto Rico and the Philippine islands, and that the present government of Spain will be overthrown.

The representatives of the European governments here believe that Spain would be willing to negotiate a treaty of peace upon the basis of Cuban independence, provided she can retain Porto Rico and the Philippines. It is not believed that the United States would agree to such terms. Since the beginning of hostilities circumstances have arisen which compel the United States to demand more than mere relinquishment of Cuba, and it is improbable that any terms will be agreed upon by this government which do not include relinquishment of Porto Rico and cession of territory in the Philippines for a coaling station at least. It is generally conceded that Spain could obtain better terms than if a war is fought to a finish.

Adjutant General Corbin is receiving telegrams every hour from the governors of the states and other influential persons, both urging and demanding that the department rescind its ruling that every regiment of volunteer forces be filled to the maximum before more regiments are ordered under the second call, in states where troops already in service are organized on the minimum plan. Dozens of congressmen and senators have called at the war department to protest against this decision. General Corbin, however, has no discretion. He informed the governor of one of the Northwest states today that the law was mandatory and he had no authority whatever to permit him to organize a new regiment in that state until the three which are already in the field had been recruited to the full number of 106 men to each company. This applies to all states where additional volunteers are called for.

## IS CERVERA EN ROUTE TO MANILA

French Correspondent at Madrid Says He Learns on the Highest Authority that Such is the Case.

PARIS, June 3.—There is a persistent belief here and at Madrid that Admiral Cervera is not at Santiago. The correspondent of Gaulois, at Madrid, tele-

graphed from there saying he has learned on the highest authority that Cervera has never been at Santiago; that the Spanish ships there belong to Captain Villamil's torpedo squadron.

It appeared from information gathered by Gaulois' correspondent that Cervera, after leaving the Cape Verde islands maneuvered so as to deceive the Americans and then started at full speed for the Philippines, where the fleet is to arrive on Saturday or Sunday.

His orders are to destroy Dewey's fleet and then intercept, capture or destroy the American transports on their way to the Philippine islands from San Francisco.

In conclusion the correspondent of Gaulois says that Admiral Cervera's squadron may be expected to join Cervera at the Philippines within a few weeks.

MADRID, June 3.—Newspapers here maintain that Cervera's fleet is sailing in the direction of the Philippines.

## HURRICANE AT DUTCH HARBOR

Schooner Helen Driven Ashore But Not Seriously Damaged—Relief Expedition is Not Yet on Its Way.

SEATTLE, June 3.—The steamer Brixham arrived here today from Dutch harbor, Alaska, having been unable to reach Nunivak island, her original destination, on account of the ice in Bering sea.

The Brixham brings news of a hurricane at Dutch harbor, May 22. The schooner Helen was driven ashore. She sustained considerable, but no serious, damage. The bark Harry Morse lost an anchor and chain.

The revenue cutter Bear had not yet started on her voyage to Point Barrow to rescue the whaling fleet imprisoned in the ice.

The Brixham saw nothing of the bark Guardian, which left this port April 26 with 100 passengers for Kotzebue sound.

## MONTEREY LEAVES MARE ISLAND

Sunday the Monitor Will Depart for Her Long Trip Across the Pacific.

VALLEJO, Cal., June 3.—The monitor Monterey left Mare island this afternoon for San Francisco. She will probably sail Sunday. As the vessel steamed from the dock she was greeted with cheers from those who witnessed her departure. All the steam whistles in the vicinity saluted the vessel as she passed down the bay. The collier Brutus, which is to accompany the Monterey to Manila, will leave for San Francisco tomorrow and the two vessels will probably sail from San Francisco on Saturday or Sunday.

## PATENTS ISSUED ON SCHOOL LANDS

WASHINGTON, June 3.—Secretary Bliss today ordered patented to the state of Oregon a list of lands selected under a school grant, embracing 6195 acres in The Dalles district.

## Storm at Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, S. D., June 3.—The most terrific wind storm in the history of this place struck here about 1 o'clock this morning. Many windows and minor buildings were wrecked. The North Western railroad coal sheds were totally demolished, and great damage was done in the surrounding country.

## Slide on Valdes Glacier.

NANAIMO, B. C., June 3.—The steamer Albion, from Copper river, reports a second heavy slide on Valdes glacier. A number of pack mules were buried in the snow, but no human lives were lost. The glacier is now impassable and traffic for the season is said to be at an end.

## San Domingo in Revolt.

CAPE HAYTIER, June 3.—The report that a revolution has broken out at San Domingo is confirmed, the supposed expedition from here being really the departure of Dominican revolutionists.

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