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York Herald and other papers, giv- They are always with us. ing views of alleged German military experts on the invasion of Cuba. These were all of a discouraging a work of too great difficulty to be mastered by officers in command of our armies. The case of Russian maneuvers on the Black sea in 1897 and including July 6, 1898. was cited as an illustration of what a colossal task General Shafter has undertaken. In this Russian case (which we are told was theoretically Benton. the most successful attempt ever made in modern times by a fleet to of flavoring extracts. Ask your grocer land large bodies of troops in the for them. face of an enemy), each squadron succeeded in landing only 8,000 troops in three days. This, it is claimed, is a small matter when compared with what the Americans propose.

The German writer seems to believe that the Americans are going at this matter of transporting and landing troops in a haphazard manner. The very opposite is true. The government has succeeded in masking the real movements of the transports. It has also succeeded in confusing the Spaniards as to the point of landing. Never has so little been published as to any military expedition in this country as that under command of General Shafter. The people knew that the troops are the best in our army, and that they are on the transports. The Spaniards know that much, but it may be assumed that General Miles and Admiral Sampson know a good deal more.

The operations of the navy indicate that there has been foresight in the selection of a landing place, and that when all things are ready the expedition will land. There will be no Spanish navy to oppose, and the invaders will meet no Spanish army on shore capable of making success ful resistance. The case will not be like that of 1897 on the Black sea, but more like that of 1854 on the same sea, when France and Great

Britain landed 57,000 troops in the The Dalles Daily Chronicle. Crimea in five days. The American people understand by this time that the view of the curbstone critics that the landing of an army is only a matter of two or three hours is not

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> Manila had, when the war broke out, 300,000 population, of which 50,000 were Chinese, 5,000 continental European, 300 British islanders, and three Americans. We are left to guess as to the nationality of the remainder of the people, and this is the best they are able to do themselves.

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