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THE RUIN AT SANTIAGO

American Guns and Gunners Caused Most Terrible Destruction.

VULTURES GIVE GRUESOME EVIDENCE.

The Black Scavengers Fanned the Heads of Those Who Were Digging for the Dead—Flag on Morro Castle Half-Masted, and There is Fear That Evil Has Befallen Hobson and His Colleagues—Great Bravery Shown by a Spaniard—Waiting for the Transports.

SATURDAY'S WAR NEWS PARAPHRASED.

The Associated Press correspondents accompanying the American fleet off Santiago de Cuba announce that a week's operations against the Spaniards have made resistance against the landing of American troops impracticable.

The outer fortifications at Santiago have been reduced, and the outer harbor of Guanantamo is occupied by the war vessels Oregon, St. Paul, Suwanee, eleven auxiliary gunboats and several colliers. Hostilities on the part of the Spaniards have ceased since the destructive bombardment of Wednesday last. The Spanish troops are reduced to half rations, and unless the supply is replenished all provisions will be entirely consumed by July 1.

The vigilance of the Cubans at Guanantamo has resulted in the interception of all messengers sent out by Spanish military authorities.

The American marines still hold the crest of the hill near Guanantamo Bay. Night attacks by the guerrillas have ceased.

The Cubans are proving most valuable allies in the campaign. They are spoken of as daring scouts, brave soldiers and good fighters.

Morro Castle, at Santiago, is regarded as sacred by the Americans, as it met him at the gate leading to the mills, and he informed them that on account of the depressed condition of the market he could not grant the request.

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MOB RULE AT ROCKLAND, ONT.

W. C. Edwards' Employes Struck for Shorter Hours and More Pay—Police Stoned and Driven Off—Military Will Probably be Called On.

Ottawa, June 18.—Six hundred men employed by W. C. Edwards & Co.'s lumber mills, Rockland, are idle as a result of a strike. The strikers are in control of all avenues leading to the mills and refuse to allow anyone to approach. Already there have been several acts of violence on the part of the strikers, a clerk of the company, named John Stevenson, and several Dominion policemen, who went down to Rockland last evening, having been badly injured. In the morning the strike began yesterday. In the morning Mr. W. C. Edwards, M.P., head of the company, was waited upon and asked to come out of the office and receive a petition from the men. He did so, and was presented with a petition asking for shorter hours, more pay and payment for absent days, but were paid for one hour extra. They have been receiving their wages monthly. Mr. Edwards promised the petitioners he would give them an answer at noon, and accordingly did so. They met him at the gate leading to the mills, and he informed them that on account of the depressed condition of the market he could not grant the request.

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"SEND ON PROVISIONS OR BOARDS TO MAKE COFFINS!"

Newfoundland Blockaded by Ice—Supplies Cannot Get in and People are Starving.

St. John's, Nfld., June 19.—The British steamer Avonia, bound for Pelly's Island, to load ore for Philadelphia, has arrived here, after four days confinement in northern ice floes. She reports that the ocean is covered with ice fields, and that there are thousands of icebergs along the coast. She also reports that four tramp steamers are blockaded at Twillingate, and that the mail boat Virginia Leake is also blockaded and is unable to reach White Bay with provisions for the destitute fishermen. Heartrending reports of suffering and starvation are reaching this city from French shore settlements. Seven people are reported to have died of hunger in Antigonish, and the poor are living on dry thistles, when the poor are nearly dead. They informed the captain, who gave them some provisions. They said that if they failed to get back within a week all their families would be starved to death.

Another case is reported, where a family had been existing on a loaf of bread for six days. The Rev. John Lynch, a Catholic priest, residing in Conche, despatched a messenger to Tilt Cove with a telegram begging for aid in these appalling words: "Send on provisions at once; if not, boards to make coffins."

Destitution is also reported in Salmon Cove, Perry Cove and other places in the Bay de Verde district. The weather is bad and trade is unusually depressed.

ROSSLAND MINES BOOMING.

War Eagle Shipping 200 Tons of Ore a Day.

Roseland, B.C., June 19.—(Special.)—Ore shipments for the week: War Eagle 1007 tons. Monte Cristo 120 tons. This will be largely increased when the spur line from the railway is finished. Iron Mask 100 tons. Centre Star 45 tons. The Trail smelter will be in operation in two weeks. War Eagle will immediately ship 1400 tons weekly. One hundred and twenty-five men are now working in the Le Roi. Only development work is being done. In about a month this mine will employ 275 men, and ship in greater quantities than ever. The latest assays give \$25 to \$50 gold, and as high as 20 per cent. copper.

It is learned that a cross cut for the Virginia Ledge is being run from the 900 foot level. They expect to strike the ledge in a few days, and are already in strings of ore.

Five tons of Deer Park ore was packed on horses to the railroad and shipped to the smelter. Fifty dollars values are expected.

The White Bear resumes shortly. Early advances are expected in the prices of Iron Mask, Monte Cristo, Virginia and Deer Park. A.R.M.

TREATED LIKE DOGS.

A Man on the Spot Tells of the Troubles of the Crew's Nest Laborers.

A Government official, writing to Toronto from McLeod, N. W. T., under date of June 12, says: "I see the Government are looking into grievances of the men at work on the Crow's Nest Railroad, and it really is pretty near time something was done, as some of the men are treated more like dogs than human beings."

A Live Wire.

Quite a sensation was caused Saturday evening by the breaking of a trolley wire opposite Toronto-street, on King. The immediate cause of the break was not ascertained at the time, but the general opinion is that Sward's cut-fine sale of any tie in his stores Saturday and to-day for 25c had something to do with it.

DEATH AND DESTRUCTION.

Appalling Result of the Bombardment of Santiago—Vultures Hovering over the Scene.

On Santiago de Cuba, Saturday, June 18, noon, via Kingston, Jamaica, Sunday, June 19.—A careful inspection of the fortifications along the crest of the hills defending Santiago Harbor since the bombardment Thursday morning, shows that the American gunners showed wreck and ruin everywhere. Some of the batteries were demolished beyond repair. The vultures which circled on level wings over the hills as thick as swallows around a chimney for hours after the firing ceased, furnished

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TALK OF DISSOLUTION.

Messrs. Tarte and Blair Want an Appeal to the People.

A BLUENOSE POLITICIAN GIVES REASONS

Why He Thinks Matters are Shaping for a General Election—Liberal Machine Expects to Get Along Without a Majority in Ontario—Traffic Manager Harriss of the Intercolonial Has Been Retired—New Palace Cars for the Government Road—Montreal News.

Montreal, June 19.—(Special.)—Rumors of dissolution of Parliament are again rife in political circles, and a gentleman who has taken part in many election contests in New Brunswick gives the following reasons for his belief in an early appeal to the people: He declares that Hon. Mr. Blair has had money voted for counties that would never have received such attention had a general election been a good way off, and he adds that these same New Brunswick constituencies have been set down all along by the Liberal machine from that province as capable of being captured from the enemy. He says that Tarte and Blair are clamoring for a dissolution, and that Fielding is quite indifferent in the matter.

"But what about the Ontario members?" he was asked.

"They don't count," was the reply, "as Tarte has made Laurier believe that he can carry fifty out of the sixty-five Quebec seats, and with a gain from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, they can do without a majority from Ontario."

Mr. Harriss Has Been Retired.

Mr. Arthur H. Harriss, General Traffic Manager of the Intercolonial Railway, has been retired, and Mr. David Pottinger will have supreme command. It has been understood for some time past that Mr. Harriss was as good as out, yet Mr. Blair did not want the knife to drop until he had got out of sight of land. The Minister of Railways

NEW PROGRAM DECIDED ON.

If Great Britain is Not Supreme in Naval Equipment She Must Be Made So at Once.

New York, June 19.—The London correspondent of The Evening Post says: "The Government apparently has yielded to the importunities of the naval armistice, like Lord Charles Bessford, and the forward section of the Ministerials. To these Mr. Chamberlain's and Lord Salisbury's confession that England dare not defy France and Russia in defence of the policy of an open door in China and West Africa, was bitterly humiliating. If, they France and Russia are not capable of meeting cruisers and 20 destroyers at a cost of not less than an extra \$8,000,000 for 1899, to meet the Russian seven-year appropriation of \$38,000,000.

FRANCE AND ITALY.

The French and Italian Cabinets have resigned. Both have been short-lived. There were stormy scenes in the Chamber in each case before the resignations were handed in. It is stated that an extreme Radical will be asked to reconstruct the French Ministry, which has practically been overthrown by the Socialists. The Italian Premier Rudinow is not capable of meeting the Italian cabinet on the ruins of the Chamber, while the sittings of the Chamber have been suspended. It is generally thought that grave events are on the tapis in Italy.

CHOKED BY A PIECE OF MEAT.

Louis Reid Meets With a Not Unpleasant Accident.

Milverton, June 19.—A fatal accident happened in the hotel at Brunner Station, on Saturday, when Louis Reid, a laborer, about 40 years of age, choked by a piece of meat while eating his dinner. Assistance was obtained in vain. He died almost instantly. The body was interred in the cemetery here about 11 o'clock the same evening.

Prices Halved and Less.

On Tuesday, June 21, all the wool, Acorns and English hunting stock lies in Quinn's establishment, 115 King-street west, will be sold at 25 cents each. These indispensable rack commodities are the correct 'us form for bicycling, golfing and all outdoor pleasures. Although there is an infinite variety to choose from, it is advisable to come early.

Three Trainmen Killed.

Roanoke, Va., June 19.—Norfolk and Western passenger train No. 4 was wrecked at 12:45 p.m. to-day, two miles west of Shawville. Three were killed and several injured. The dead are: Engineer A. Horner, Bristol, Va.; Fireman Edward Sanders, Bristol, Va.; Mall Clerk A. S. Francis, Merion, Va.

General Lee's Secretary Killed.

Jacksonville, Fla., June 19.—When about to go to bat at Public Beach this afternoon James T. Gatewood, private stenographer to Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, was struck by lightning and instantly killed. He was from Richmond, Va. The lightning came from a clear sky, hitting Gatewood at the base of the brain and passing down the spinal column.

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