

PRISONERS OF WAR.

Spaniards Kept in Close Confinement at Fort McReynolds.

Atlanta, Ga., May 16.—The 20 Spanish prisoners kept in close confinement at Fort McReynolds...

Colonel Cook expects his Spanish captives to be augmented by a few days...

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General Graham, commander of the department of the Gulf, who has been in Washington several days, returned to Atlanta yesterday...

Lieut. Samuel Reder, chief officer of the department of the Gulf, who has been ordered to report to General Schafter at Tampa, left yesterday...

THREE SPANISH SPIES.

Suspected Men Arrested Prowling Around Fortifications.

New York, May 16.—Looked up in the guard house at Sandy Hook are three men who were discovered prowling about the Hook in a small boat...

The three men have been so many interferences with the submarine mines in the bay that the patrol boats concluded to take no chances...

Lieut. Hale, who has been designated by Major-General Merritt to give out such information as he may be asked...

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SAILED INTO A TRAP

Spaniards Unbowed Callao Entered Manila Bay—Didn't Head of Hostilities

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The Spanish gunboat Callao steamed up the bay this morning, where she has been at anchor for the last 16 months...

Her commander did not know that war had been declared, and he had heard nothing on his way up about the battle...

He was thrown overboard by the Spanish vessel's deck, when her commander began to realize that it was no joke...

Finally he dove to a white flag on his foremast, and the Raleigh steamed up to intercept him...

Callao was brought to an anchorage near the flagship. She is an iron gunboat of 280 tons, equipped with modern guns...

Admiral Dewey's fleet remains stationed at Manila. He is ready to capture the place whenever orders to do so are received from Washington...

Admiral Dewey is reticent regarding his plans. He will continue to closely keep a keen watch on all the rivers and near by any Spanish vessel remaining...

Guards are maintained at Cavite to prevent any landing of the naval stores, which were found to be in great abundance...

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When the Boston and Concord returned from the shock of the battle, they were greeted by saying that they lacked target practice...

NO FIGHTING YET

The Spanish and American Squadrons Have Not Yet Come Together.

The Oregon Believed To Be Safe—Charleston Sails Destined for the Philippines.

Washington, May 18.—There has been no meeting yet between the hostile fleets in the neighborhood of Cuba...

The Oregon is believed to be safe and is now a part of Sampson's squadron. Vallejo, Cal., May 18.—The cruiser Charleston, destined for the Philippines...

Arrived at Porto Rico. Porto Plata, San Domingo, May 18.—It is reported here that the Spanish squadron of four cruisers and two torpedo boat destroyers, commanded by Admiral Cervera...

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FROM THE CAPITAL

Major Walsh on His Way to Dawson City—Will Go To Ottawa in July.

Ottawa, May 18.—Major Walsh is now on his way to Dawson City. He reports to the Department of the Interior that he will leave Dawson about 15th of July...

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LANDS AND WORKS

Proceedings at the Royal Commission Appointed to Investigate the Department.

The Issue Confined to the Question of Fees for Expediting Public Business.

Employees Uniformly Deny Any Knowledge of Fees Being Paid Contrary to Statute.

Mr. Justice Walkem yesterday commenced his investigation of the commission into the conduct of affairs in the lands and works department...

Mr. Graham was then called upon and gave the reasons which led up to the writing of the article in the Times of May 11th. It was based upon information received from Mr. Frank G. Richards, and upon the fact that rumors reflecting upon the conduct of the department had reached him...

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WAITING THE CALL

Relatives and Friends of the Grand Old Man Await the Dread Summons.

Pathetic Scenes Witnessed During the Last Hours on Earth of the Great Gladstone.

Hawarden, May 18.—At 10 o'clock this morning Mr. Gladstone is still in a comatose state, apparently feeling the heat of the pulse could be told that he was still alive. All night long the weary vigil was maintained by the whole family, in and out of the sick chamber...

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QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Will be held at Victoria, B.C., May 24, 25 and 26

MINERS' RACES. BASEBALL MATCH. LACROISE MATCH. BICYCLE RACES. INTERNATIONAL YACHT RACES.

GRAND. Regatta at Victoria Arm. Naval and Indian War Canoe Races, etc., etc.

MILITARY REVIEW AND DEMONSTRATION. At Bowen Hill Park. Over one thousand men will be present.

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