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President McKinley Has Asked Congress To Make a Declaration of War.

The North Atlantic Squadron Sighted Off Havana, Causing Intense Excitement.

London, April 23.—The afternoon newspapers in this city have received a dispatch from Belfast saying that trust-worthy news has been received there to the effect that the American liner City of Paris has been captured off the Irish coast by a Spanish cruiser. The Paris has not returned to Southampton, as reported. She passed the Lizard yesterday evening.

Madrid, April 23.—(12:15 p.m.)—The reported capture of the American line steamer City of Paris by a Spanish cruiser aroused great excitement and has favorably affected prices on the bourse.

Washington, April 23.—The president has issued a proclamation calling for 120,000 volunteers to serve two years, if not sooner discharged.

Washington, D. C., April 23.—The Washington Post says that the president today sent a message to congress suggesting that a declaration of war be passed. The president's reasons for urging congress to declare war immediately are: First, he can avail himself freely of the services of the retired officers; second, Spain, by her acts, has practically declared war; third, that naval officers may be entitled unquestionably to prize money for captures.

Representative Hull, in the house, said he was General Miles' purpose to effect a landing in Cuba as soon as practicable. It would take six weeks or two months to equip a volunteer army.

Havana, April 23.—The city of Havana is agitated by war enthusiasm. The United States fleet can be seen in the offing. Great confidence is felt among the Spaniards in the effectiveness of their batteries. Crowds before nightfall last night assembled at every point of vantage to gaze upon the blockaders.

Madrid, April 23.—War enthusiasm continues here and in the provinces. Patriotic demonstrations are reported to have occurred everywhere. Special religious services of prayer, day and night, are being organized for the success of Spanish arms.

Key West, April 23.—The Spanish tramp steamer Pedro, captured by the United States flagship New York yesterday, was brought here at 6:30 o'clock this morning under her own steam, and in charge of a prize crew. This is the vessel which was supposed to be the Spanish mail steamer Alfonso XII.

Some Reported Seizures.

Key West, April 23.—An incoming tug reports that the cruiser New York has captured a Spanish passenger steamer plying between Havana and Porto Rico. It is believed here that the prize captured by the flagship is the Alfonso XII, a Havana steamer, due today, not the warship of that name. The torpedo fleet is coming in.

London, April 23.—The Daily Chronicle publishes a dispatch from Liverpool, which says a private cablegram received there reports that the American fleet off Key West captured a British steamer, probably the Gracia, flying the Spanish flag, which cleared from Pensacola April 18, bound for Liverpool.

Philadelphia, April 23.—The maritime exchange here this morning received the following dispatch:

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Indian Uprising Feared.

Santa Fe, April 23.—Governor Otero has telegraphed the secretary of war that there is a probability the Indians will rise, now the troops have been withdrawn, and asking for New Mexican volunteers to immediately garrison Forts Bayard and Wingate, and patrol the border.

A Spanish Complaint.

Madrid, April 23.—El Epoca says: "Spain does not consider fair the declaration by neutral powers that coal is contraband of war, thus favoring America, and cites the case of England in 1885, which opposed stoutly the action of France in the Tonquin war, in declaring rice contraband, although rice was then considered in China districts as money and currency to pay taxes."

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