

THE STARS AND STRIPES

Now Float Proudly Over the Principal City of Porto Rico.

SAN JUAN IN THE HANDS OF SAMPSON

The American Commander Believed to Have Returned to the Attack After the First Bombardment and Forced the Place to Capitulate—Details of the Battle, Which Caused a Loss of Two Men Killed and Seven Wounded on the U.S. Side—The Reverse at Cardenas.

The war situation is getting interesting. Since the Madrid Government passed the war credits the other day the Spaniards have shown new life, as evidenced by the reported determination to send a force against Admiral Dewey in the Pacific.

The presence of the Cape Verde squadron at Port of France, Martinique, West Indies, has caused the American authorities a good deal of anxiety, if not alarm. The Cape Verde fleet is much more formidable than the Philippine naval force which Dewey wiped out, and while not equal to Admiral Sampson's flotilla, will be able to give that commander a good deal of trouble, by harassing him and preventing a concentration of forces against any of the ports of Cuba or Porto Rico.

The minor successes of the Spaniards at Cardenas and Cienfuegos have had a bracing effect on the Dons, and it may reasonably be expected that the war will not be all one-sided for a few weeks to come.

OLD GLORY WAVES AT SAN JUAN

A Belief That Admiral Sampson's Fleet Returned to the Attack After the First Bombardment.

New York, May 14.—(Special to Toronto World)—Port of France, Martinique, special says: The American flag flies over San Juan, Porto Rico. It is believed that Admiral Sampson made a second attack on the place before the Spaniards capitulated.

Suspicious at Washington.

A Washington special says: It is believed here that the Spanish squadron is making a dash for Cuba, sailing west and then north for the southern coast, probably with the intention of rendezvousing off the harbor of Cienfuegos. It is probable that the Spaniards hope to elude Sampson and out-all Schley in reaching Southern Cuba and establish a base along that coast.

It is officially announced that Sampson called the Navy Department last night of the location of the Cape Verde fleet. Orders were immediately sent him to hunt the Spaniards and destroy or capture them. Sampson's squadron started at once upon a full head of steam. A naval battle may occur in the vicinity of the Island of Montserrat.

The State Department is investigating the complaint of Captain Cotton of the Harvard, that French officials at Martinique prevented him sending word to Washington of the arrival of the Spanish fleet. This may cause great international complications.

A Frenchman's Attack.

A Hendaye special to The Herald says: Pierre Loti, a member of the French Academy, ferociously attacks America and England in an interview that the powers will not permit Great Britain to share the fruits of victory and the Latin races will be forced to resist an Anglo-American alliance. The war, he says, is hurting France badly.

A DECIDED REVERSE.

The Americans Were Badly Whipped at Cardenas and Cienfuegos, So a Havana Report Says.

New York, May 13.—(Special to The Toronto World)—A Havana special to The Herald says: Wednesday afternoon two American ships, the Terror and Erissos, entered Cardenas Bay. The gunboats Lopez, Alerta and Ligera began firing on the American ships. The Terror fired at the town and the Erissos engaged the gunboats. The Erissos was damaged and had to be towed away by the Terror. The Spanish gunboats ran out of ammunition early and sought refuge under the fort. Missiles from the American ships set fire to the house of the British Vice-Consul.

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The World's War News.

The New York Tribune publishes every day a half column of war news that never happened. This news is selected from the fake despatches of the yellow and sensational journals of the day previous. Not only is there a lot of bogus news going through the daily press, but there is such a mass of incoherent stuff printed that it is difficult for the reader to get an intelligent idea of what is actually transpiring from day to day. The Toronto Journals that have twenty war correspondents in the field and that have chartered despatch boats of their own cost have something to show for their enterprise. They follow the lead of the New York sensational sheets, telling the public from day to day what is going to happen, what might have happened, what never has happened and what never will happen. One-half of the alleged news they present is mere surmise. The actual happenings are obscured amid a deluge of probability and possibility. In order to make an appearance commensurate with their boasting the 29-war correspondents journals pad out every little event, so that the grain of wheat every one is seeking is buried in a bushel of chaff. The World endeavors to edit the war news with care and intelligence, giving only information that comes from reliable sources and that describes actual events, not possibilities. We believe that the concise and authentic service which The World gives from day to day is better appreciated by the public than the long-winded and much-padded matter that burdens the columns of some of its contemporaries.

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BETTER LIGHT ON THE SUBJECT.



JONATHAN: I never really did justice to the old gentleman before, but I have him before me in a more favorable light now.

LORD ABERDEEN HAS RESIGNED.

His Excellency Finds That Private and Family Claims Make It Desirable That He Shall Leave Canada Before the Year Closes.

London, May 13.—It is officially announced that the Queen has accepted the resignation of the Earl of Aberdeen as Governor-General of Canada, to which office he was appointed in 1893.

His Excellency's Letter to the Premier. Government House, Ottawa, May 6, 1898. My Dear Sir:—You will remember that some time ago I mentioned to you that there was some uncertainty as to whether we should be able to remain in Canada for the full six years of the Governor-General's official term.

My Dear Lord Aberdeen.—As your Excellency has made me aware of a few weeks ago of your intention, I was not altogether unprepared for the information which you have now conveyed to me that you have obtained permission to be relieved from the duties of Governor-General, and in your term of office will come to an end some time in October or November next.

Mr. Chamberlain has now responded in a very kind manner to my request, and I am, therefore, in a position to convey to you, as Prime Minister of the Dominion, this information as to our contemplated arrangements.

Although this is not the occasion for enlarging upon the subject, I would like to add that I trust the fact of our deciding to leave before the actual expiry of the term will not in any sense be regarded as indicating any want of appreciation of the country with which we have come to feel ourselves so closely identified. On the contrary, there is much to make us contemplate the prospect of departure with very real regret.

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ANGLO-SAXON ALLIANCE

A Most Important Speech by Mr. Joseph Chamberlain.

BRITISH LION CAN TAKE CARE OF HIMSELF

The Time Has Arrived When Britain May Be Confronted by a Combination of Powers—Duty Is to Draw All Parts of the Empire Into Closer Unity—The Next to Maintain the Bond of Unity With "Our Kinsmen Across the Atlantic"—Press Comments.

London, May 13.—The Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, made an important speech on public affairs at Birmingham this evening. Mr. Chamberlain, after deprecating the constant assertions in certain quarters that Lord Salisbury was "discredited," and the Government "weak and vacillating," said: "If foreign nations believe and act upon those statements they will find themselves much mistaken, and that courteous diplomacy and graceful concessions are not incompatible with a firm maintenance of the country's honor and interests."

Then, declaring that he intended to make "a plain statement of facts, unfeigned by the mysteries and reticences of the diplomacy of half a century ago, which, without revealing secret negotiations, should be understood," Mr. Chamberlain said, he would accept the judgment of the people as willingly as that of the wisest diplomat in the world.

The Policy of Isolation. Referring to the policy of strict isolation that England has pursued since the Crimean War, he remarked that this had been "perfectly justifiable," but he added, "the time has arrived when Great Britain may be confronted by a combination of powers and our first duty, therefore, is to draw all parts of the Empire into closer unity, and our next to maintain the bonds of unity with our kinsmen across the Atlantic."

"There is a powerful and generous nation," said Mr. Chamberlain, "speaking one language, bred of our race, and having interests identical with ours. I would go so far as to say that, terrific as was our war, even war itself would be cheaply purchased if in a great and noble cause the Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack should wave together over an Anglo-Saxon alliance."

Mr. Chamberlain proceeded to draw a gloomy picture of the situation in China, where he has to count with the whole of the community not to be already aware that the period of Your Excellency's term of office will leave a deep and permanent impression in the hearts of the people, apart from those more fortunate who can claim the privilege of your friendship.

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