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THAT ULTIMATUM!

Spain Has Now Received it

AND WON'T ACCEPT IT SO SHE SAYS—THE BLOCKADE OF CUBA.

Washington, April 20.—Two Cabinet meetings were held yesterday—the first beginning at 11, and last nearly two hours, and the second lasting from three until 5.30 p. m. At their close announcement that executive action was delayed until to-day was made. Both Cabinet sessions were devoted principally to discussion of the ultimatum to be sent to Madrid. At the morning session the President rather favored allowing the Madrid Government two or even three days in which to reply to the demands of the United States but since that time he has changed his views somewhat, and it is now believed to be his purpose to require an answer within a very short time—probably within 24 hours. The reason for limiting the time to one day or even less is said to be entirely strategic; otherwise two or even three days would have been allowed.

THE ULTIMATUM.

In accordance with the terms of the resolution the president will demand that Spain shall evacuate the island. The demand for this will be flatfooted and absolute, and no tentative or half-

only fair that in a great crisis like this reasonable time shall be given.

A BLOCKADE SCHEME.

If Spain refuses to evacuate Cuba, prompt measures will be adopted to put into force the congressional resolution. A blockade of Cuba will, so far as is at present understood, be begun at once. There are an adequate number of war vessels in the vicinity to make this effective. Such supplies as the Spaniards now control will not last them more than a month. Then steps taken with a view to increasing the equipment of Gomez' soldiers and furnishing them with sufficient hard tack for food will enable him to harass the Spaniards from the rear, which will materially assist in bringing them to terms. It will probably take two months to bring about the results which will compel the Spaniards to evacuate and enable the island to be occupied by the United States without molestation.

The United States government will not issue any letters of marque and reprisal nor countenance privateering, but if the Spanish government chooses to enter upon this line of warfare she will have to deal with the nations of Europe with whose commerce she seeks to interfere.

A GREAT ARMY.

Plans are being formulated in Congress involving the placing of about 200,000 soldiers at the disposal of the government within a very short time after the Cuban resolutions are approved by the President, apportioned as follows: Standing army, 27,000; by call for volunteers, 90,000; by calling out State militia, 75,000 or 100,000; by Army Reorganization Bill, 5,000.

TO LEAVE THE U. S.

Spanish Minister Polo will begin his departure from the United States as

MRS. TERRY'S FUNERAL.

Despite the inclement weather, many turned out yesterday to pay a last tribute of love to the late Mrs. Terry whose remains were removed to Maple Leaf cemetery. The service was conducted by the Rev. Messrs. Sims and Cross, the former officiating by request of the deceased. In accordance with her expressed wishes Mrs. Terry's six grandsons acted as pall bearers. They were: Fred, John, Bert and Herbert Terry and John and George Jordan.

MINISTERS LEAVE

The Spanish Ambassador Quit Washington at Noon.

Woodford has Been Cabled to Star From Madrid for Home.

(G. N. W. Special to The Planet.)

Washington, April 20.—President McKinley signed the Cuban resolutions at 11.24 o'clock, as adopted by the Senate and House of Representatives.

The President will affix his signature to the ultimatum in a few minutes.

This means war unless Spain withdraws her troops from Cuba within the time limit set in the ultimatum.

HE QUIT WASHINGTON.

Washington—The Spanish minister left at noon to-day. Woodford has been cabled to that effect and will leave Madrid at once.

ULTIMATUM SENT.

The President this morning signed the joint resolution, and his ultimatum was sent to Spain at 11.40. Its contents will not be made known yet. Spain has been given until Monday, instead of Saturday, in which to reply.

HE'S TOO LATE.

The Vatican is making Hercules

be asked for at present.

A CALL FOR TROOPS.

Chairman Hull, of the committee on military affairs, has announced on the floor of the house that he had received a message from the President urging immediate action upon the Volunteer Army Bill, "as a matter of vital importance."

REMEMBER THIS.

The difference in time between Madrid and New York is four hours and one second. Madrid time is just that much ahead of New York's. For instance, when it is 12 o'clock noon in New York it is 4 o'clock plus a second in Madrid.

CLAMORING FOR WAR.

Madrid, April 20.—There was a scene of indescribable tumult at to-day's session of the Cortes. The building was surrounded by a crowd wildly clamoring for war.

ORDERED TO SAIL.

Both U. S. Fleets Will Strike at Once.

The Plan of Action—Spain May Keep Away From American Waters.

Washington, April 20.—Non-compliance with the terms of President McKinley's ultimatum will be followed by the despatch of the North Atlantic and the flying squadrons at 18 minutes past 1 o'clock Saturday morning to Cuba and Porto Rico to oust her from those islands.

WILL SAIL AT ONCE.

Under the plan determined upon Capt. Sampson's vessels will not only blockade Havana, but will blockade every other port in Cuba, both on the northern and on the southern coasts, and the flying squadron, under the command of Commodore Schley, will take similar action with reference to the ports of Porto Rico.

Capt. Sampson's fleet will probably not reach Cuba until early Saturday forenoon.

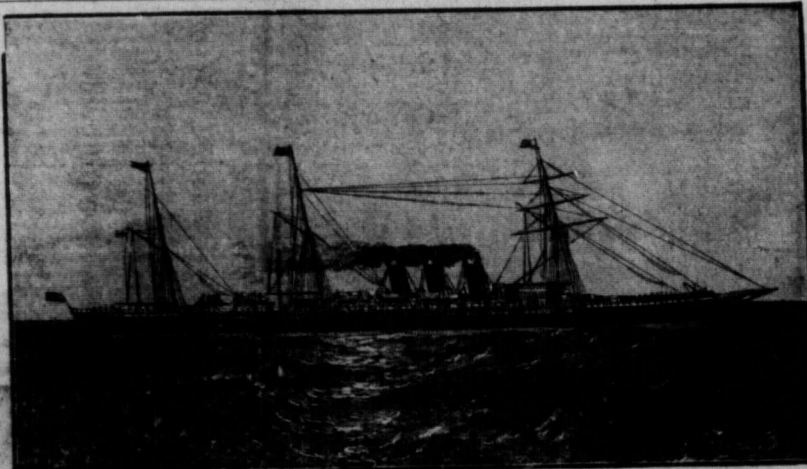
Commodore Schley's force, having a great distance to steam, will probably not reach its destination until Monday.

Spain may evacuate Cuba, but with the bulk of her fleet still in home waters she would be able to keep up her traditional practice of privateering and thus continue to harass the United States and prolong the war for many months. The authorities may hope for a short war, but the extensive preparations show that it is their purpose to be prepared for a long one.

THE STAGE.

FABIO ROMANI.

Aiden Benedict's "Fabio Romani," which will be presented at the Grand Opera House next Monday evening, April 25th, is a play with a strong and stirring interest in it. Those who have read the book entitled "The Vendetta" will easily remember the preface of the story. A deceived husband is buried alive, but escapes from the tomb, and returns in disguise to torture the unfaithful wife, killing her at the moment he makes himself known. The novel furnishes intense scenes which are ably interpreted by a strong company, the principal members being specially engaged for the characters assigned them. A special feature of the performance will be the introduction by Miss Grace Hunter of her celebrated Serpentine, Fire, Stier-pogson and Spanish dances, in which specialties she is pronounced everywhere to be the best exponent traveling. Reserved seat plan upon Friday morning at Central Drug Store.



THE UNITED STATES CRUISER ST. PAUL.

Formerly an Atlantic liner, which has been bought by the government, and is being armed as an ocean scout. She can speed at the rate of from 20 to 28 miles an hour and will be used to keep the Atlantic free from Spanish privateers. Owing to her immense size and having light armour she is more than a match for Spain's smaller craft and her great speed will enable her to get away from any of the larger battle ships or cruisers.

way reply will satisfy the president Nor will any compromise that contemplates the withdrawal of Spain's troops from the island and the subsequent re-establishment of the Spanish control or the raising of the Spanish flag over the country be accepted by the administration. Possibly it may be that a suggestion that the matter has been referred to the courts which meet to-day for consideration may be instrumental in postponing for a brief time the putting into effect of the congressional resolution, but the president is disposed not to brook any further delay. It is

soon as notified that the Cuban resolutions are a law. It is understood that as soon as he receives official notice of the fact that the Cuban resolution is a law he will not await further formalities on the part of the United States, such as giving him his passports, etc., but will himself take the initiative toward departure. He communicated the action of Congress to his government immediately after both Houses had passed the resolution. He will go to Spain through Canada.

THE FIRST BLOW.

What will be the first act of war? There is a great diversity of opinion on this point. A telegram from Key West this afternoon states that naval officers are beginning to think that if war comes the great naval battle may not be fought in West Indian waters at all, but somewhere off the Atlantic coast, or wherever the Spanish fleet now at the Cape Verde Islands is encountered. They are, however, without definite knowledge on this point. They realize that whatever comes very early work of the squadron will be to reduce the shore batteries at Havana and open the way for the army to occupy that city. These are the orders which Capt. Sampson awaits.

A DEADLY GUN.

Newport, R. I., April 19.—The pneumatic gunboat Vassinas successfully fired a loaded dynamite shell from her guns in Narragansett Bay to-day. She was out all the morning, and after throwing dummy projectiles for line fire and distance adjustment, she closed in into the lower range of the "measured mile course," and discharged her three guns in close succession. The first two were apparently dummy shells, but the third shot plowed along some distance, and then a great black column of water was thrown into the air, which opened umbrella-like before it descended. The trial was pronounced most satisfactory.

DEMANDED HIS PASSPORT.

And the U. S. Government Promptly Made It Out—Woodford's Recall "gone" now.

G. N. W. Special. Washington, April 20.—The Spanish minister has demanded and received his passport and will leave the city at once with his staff. Minister Woodford is directed to leave Spain if the reply to the President's communication is unfavorable.

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