

FIRST CAPTURE MADE WITHOUT BLOODSHED.

Cruiser Nashville Takes the Hat in the War Just Begun.

Of Course the Capture Was Not Armed—One Shot Was Sufficient to Bring the Lumber-Laden Spaniard In—She Was Towed to Key West President McKinley Advises to Call Out 200,000 Men, in Anticipation That Yellow Jack Would Get in His Work.

Washington, April 23.—There were two further important steps in the Washington yesterday towards the actual hostilities, not to mention the overt act involved in the seizure of the Spanish vessel Buena Ventura of Key West. The first was the issue by the President of his proclamation announcing to the world the blockade of a number of Cuban ports, and the second was the signing by him of the bill providing for the utilization of the volunteer forces in war.

THE FIRST GUN

Fired by the Yankees Bring-Down the Spanish Buena Ventura.

Key West, April 23.—The United States cruiser Nashville has captured the Spanish ship Buena Ventura, of 1,000 tons, having on board a cargo of lumber. She was on her way from the coast of Texas. The cruiser fired a six-pounder and the Spaniard surrendered.

Later Reports.

The Spanish merchantman Buena Ventura was being used as a transport for Spanish troops.

The Buena Ventura was laden with ammunition and stores for Havana.

The Nashville towed her prize into this harbor at 11 o'clock yesterday.

Key West frantic with excitement, the docks are crowded with excited people.

BLOCKADE PROCLAIMED.

President McKinley Announces to the World That War Has Begun in Earnest.

Washington, April 23.—A proclamation announcing a blockade of Cuban ports was issued yesterday. After reciting the substance of the joint intervention resolutions, and stating the necessity of blockading all Cuban ports in carrying the resolutions into effect, the proclamation proceeds as follows:

There's an "M" in It.

A Washington special to the Press says: The greater weight of naval opinion favors the idea that if Spain sends a fleet into western waters it must be met and destroyed before it can seriously work taking Cuba in undertaking.

Made Them Heave Ho!

A Key West special to the Journal says: The captain and crew of the Spanish steamer Buena Ventura, captured by the Nashville, were transferred to the Dolphin yesterday afternoon under orders to help in getting coal aboard.

The Asiatic Fleet.

A Hong Kong special to the Sun says: It is believed the Asiatic squadron has been ordered to blockade the Philippines and will sail to night.

Bombardment Decided On.

A Key West special to the Herald says: The bombardment of batteries along the Cuban coast east of Havana was determined upon by the fleet when it sailed.

100,000 Volunteers Called For.

Washington, April 23.—President McKinley signed the Volunteer Act at 3.35 p.m. yesterday, calling for 100,000 men to serve one year.

Will Not Tackle Havana.

North Atlantic Squadron Will Not Expose Itself to the Dangers of the Submarine Mine.

New York, April 23.—A Washington special says the fleet which sailed yesterday morning will not, it is believed, enter Havana harbor.

THE ALIEN LABOR TORONTO.

The Action of J. D. King & Co. Discussed in the House.

Labor Law Not Strictly Enforced—Franchise Bill Considered—Proposal to Insert a Clause Granting Franchise to Government Employees—Solicitor-General to Make an Amendment—Topics of Interest Before the House.

Has the Paris Been Captured?

An Alarming Report that the Spaniards have Taken the Line. Intense excitement prevails here over the reported capture of the American liner Paris by the Spaniards. It is said the Paris had just left Southampton for New York.

Is the Paris Safe?

Southampton, April 23.—The United States auxiliary cruiser Harvard, formerly the American liner Paris, sailed for New York at 9 o'clock yesterday, 24 hours ahead of her advertised time.

RETURN FIRE.

Havana Forts Fire on the American Warships.

London, April 23.—The Spanish Naval Commission, now in London, has been official information from Madrid that the forts at Havana have fired on American warships and that the latter replied.

GEN. WOODFORD IN FRANCE.

His Exciting Experiences—Attempt to Capture a Member of His Suite.

Hendaye, France, April 23.—The United States Minister to Spain, General Woodford, reached the frontier town of Hendaye, yesterday, after some exciting experiences.

The North Atlantic Squadron.

Key West, Fla., April 23.—The North Atlantic Squadron, with the exception of the monitors Terror and Puritan and several smaller cruisers, sailed from Key West yesterday, presumably for Cuba.

U.S. WAR NOTES.

The work of organizing the United States troops at Chickamauck Park has States troops of twelve bands of cavalry, artillery and infantry have arrived.

The English Walnut.

Possibly few trees in the old world are more profitable than the English walnut, which thrives in England and all over the northern part of the continent.

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