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Births, Marriages, Deaths

DIED.

HARRIS—On May 14, 1898, at the residence of J. C. Harris, Hamilton, Ont., William Weldon, only son of W. T. and Mamie Harris, aged 10 months.

Funeral from the residence of Andrew Weldon, South London, on Tuesday, May 17, at 2:30 p.m. Services at 2 p.m.

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The Situation to Date.

One of the chief developments growing out of the war between the United States and Spain to date is the apparent disposition of the Spanish fleet on the Atlantic to pursue a Fabian policy of avoidance of conflict. The object probably is to delay attack at close quarters in the hope that some complication would draw to the side of Spain one or more of the European Powers. Another idea may be to prolong the situation sufficiently to render it too late for the United States troops safely to invade Cuba for some time to come owing to the yellow fever season.

The policy of the United States forces, of course, is to seek out, and if possible, destroy the Spanish fleet at the earliest possible moment, after which they would be able to direct their attention to the invasion and capture of Cuba itself.

But all the other war features for the moment have been thrown into the shade by the recent speech of Right Hon. Mr. Chamberlain, following closely upon that delivered by Lord Salisbury. Mr. Chamberlain openly proclaims the doctrine of an offensive and defensive alliance, if necessary, between Great Britain and the United States. It is a significant indication of the trend of things that the idea seems to be received with almost equal favor on each side of the Atlantic. Even the New York Sun, which has been considered the principal exemplar of anti-British feeling, now says that "the statesman on our side of the water who will not consider any proposition of this magnitude with an open mind is unworthy of his influence, if he has any."

THE VICTIMS

Of Friday's Disaster in New York—Five Men Killed.

New York, May 14.—As a result of yesterday's disaster, five lives were crushed out, and a large number of men terribly injured, when the two five-story flat buildings in course of erection on East One Hundred and Sixteenth street collapsed. When the work of rescue was stopped last night the list of killed and recovered was:

Killed — Eris Lidden, 32, married; Fred Dickeleke, 58, bricklayer, married; Albert Kaminiski, 26, bricklayer; Peter Soldowarie, 60, a bricklayer; Frederick Hartman, 16 years old.

Wounded — Peter Pasquale, 19, recovery probable; Frank Riczer, probably recover; Sebastian Welsbacher, recovery doubtful; Wm. Cochran, 17, a mason, recovery doubtful; Paul Muller, 18, recovery doubtful.

WELCOME RAIN IN CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco, May 16.—The Call says: Saturday's and Sunday's rain was worth hundreds of thousands of dollars to the farmers of California. Many fields were saved from total destruction. The barley crop will in many sections be a fair one.

Before the rain the wheat crop of California was placed at 20,000 tons and the barley crop at 100,000 tons. Well-informed grain dealers estimate the late precipitation will add 100,000 tons of wheat and 150,000 of barley to the crops.

A DINNER PILL.—Many persons suffer excruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct acidity, open the secretions and convey the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with indigestion.

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"I tried a bottle of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine for a troublesome affection of the heart," writes Manager Thomas Dewson, of the Standard Bank, now of 14 Melbourne avenue, Toronto. "It proved effective. I regard the remedy as simple, cheap, and exceedingly good. It has hitherto been my habit to consult a physician in troubles of this nature. Hereafter, however, I intend to be my own family doctor."

Dewey Heard From.

Budget of News From Manila. Spanish Gunboat Falls Into His Hands--Provisions Growing Mighty Scarce.

Take Manila Any Time.

The Philippine Capital at the Mercy of the United States Fleet---Big Body of Troops to be Sent to Dewey's Assistance ---The Cape Verde Fleet Avoid Sampson's Ships---Hard Times in Havana.

Hong Kong, May 16.—The dispatch boat Hugh McCulloch arrived here yesterday with dispatches for the government. She reports that the Spanish gunboat Callao, from the Caroline Islands, recently entered the port of Manila, being ignorant of the outbreak of hostilities between Spain and the United States. An American warship fired across her bows and signaled her a demand for her surrender. The demand being disregarded, the American ship fired direct at the Spanish gunboat, and the latter surrendered. The populace of Manila is reduced to

EATING HORSEFLESH,

and the prospect of relief seems far distant. The McCulloch also reports that the Philippine insurgents applied to Rear Admiral Dewey for his approval of an attack by them upon the city. The admiral, it appears, approved of the plan, provided no excesses were committed. The insurgents then pleaded that they had no arms, with the exception of machetes, to which the admiral replied: "Help yourselves at the Cavite arsenal."

The city of Manila, however, has not yet been attacked. About 5,000 Spanish troops are guarding the road leading from Cavite to Manila. There is no truth in the reported massacre of a number of Americans. There has only been a trifling incident during police duty, and nobody was hurt.

FROM DEWEY.

The following dispatch was received by the United States secretary of the navy from Admiral Dewey on Sunday: "Cavite, May 13—Hong Kong, May 15.—Maintaining strict blockade. Reason to believe that the rebels are hemming in the city by land, but have made no demonstration. Scarcity of provisions in Manila. Probable that the Spanish governor will be obliged to surrender soon. Can take Manila at any moment. Climate hot and moist. On Tuesday, 12, I captured gunboat Callao attempting to run blockade. Have plenty of coal. One British, one French, two German, one Japanese vessel here, observing. (Signed) Dewey."

THE NEWS IN WASHINGTON.

The dispatches from Hong Kong brought welcome news from Admiral Dewey to the President, and particularly to Secretary Long and naval officers, who are watching the admiral's movements with so much interest. The telegrams indicate that Dewey has lost none of the prestige gained in his remarkable fight of two weeks ago, and that, while he refrains from taking the city of Manila, he has it practically at his mercy. The best evidence of the effectiveness of the blockade maintained by the American admiral, and also of the work of the insurgents in surrounding the city, is shown in the statements in the dispatches that provisions are scarce in the city of Manila, which seems to indicate a surrender by the Spanish authorities is not far off.

Another published report seems also to be refuted by the admiral's message, and that is that the rebels had raided Cavite, where the Spanish naval station was located, and where presumably large supplies of arms and ammunition were kept. If the rebels have been supplying themselves with arms, it must have been with the admiral's consent, as his dispatch is originally dated from Cavite, indicating that he is still in possession. The greatest satisfaction prevails here over the good work being done, and the effectiveness of the blockade being maintained by him.

TROOPS FOR DEWEY

The officials are making all possible haste to rush troops to supplement Admiral Dewey's forces, to that if the Spanish Government does surrender, the former will not be dependent upon the small number of marines which he can illy spare from his ships. The total number of men to be sent will aggregate probably 12,000. Over ten regiments of infantry and four batteries of artillery from the volunteers have been ordered to concentrate at San Francisco, and from these and the regulars now in the extreme west will be taken the men for the Philippine expedition. It is expected here that practically all the volunteers will go.

Sampson's Whereabouts.

THE ADMIRAL OFF SANTO DOMINGO.

Cape Haytien, May 14.—The steamer Supply, under command of Lieut. Roberts, has arrived here with provisions for Admiral Sampson's fleet. Upon his arrival Lieut. Roberts wired to Admiral Sampson for orders. Admiral Sampson is at Puerto Plata, on the north coast of Santo Domingo.

SPANIARDS ELUDE SAMPSON.

Washington, May 16.—Definite official information reached the authorities on Saturday afternoon that the Spanish squadron has been sighted off the island of Curacoa, one of the Dutch West Indies, lying off the north coast of Venezuela. This information was regarded as of vital importance, as it not only fixed the position of the enemy, but disclosed the purpose of the Spanish admiral to elude Admiral Sampson's fleet and make his way through the Caribbean Sea, probably to Cuba.

The Spanish admiral's course was also influenced by the fact that the French cable, starting from Curacoa, Venezuela, touches at the Island of Curacoa, then proceeds northward through the Caribbean Sea to Hayti, with spurs running east and west to Porto Rico and Cuba respectively. He is thus enabled to get in touch from Curacoa with the Spanish authorities in Cuba and Porto Rica, and through them directly with the Spanish admiralty at Madrid.

No immediate battle with Admiral Sampson's fleet is now expected, as the Spaniards, it seems likely, have succeeded in passing south of the American fleet, and are now well to the westward of it.

THE DONS OFF CURACOA.

Herald Bureau, Washington, May 16.—Four armored cruisers and three torpedo boat destroyers, flying the Spanish flag, have been sighted off this port." This announcement was contained in a cablegram received by the state department from Consul L. B. Smith, representative of this government at Curacoa, the West Indies possession of the Netherlands. The first question which presented itself to members of the naval board was the object of the Spanish fleet in proceeding to Curacoa. The answer was simple. It is regarded as practically certain that the Spanish vessels did not coal in the neighborhood of Martinique.

Authorities are now convinced that the dispatches obtained by the Spanish torpedo boat destroyer Terror at Port de France directed the fleet to steam to a point where the colliers are lying. This point is believed to be within the Gulf of Venezuela to the southwest of Curacoa. The water is shoal in the gulf, and it will be an easy matter for the Spanish vessels to coal from the boats. It is believed that at least two days will be occupied by the war vessels in taking their supplies aboard.

The move that will be made by the Spanish squadron after coaling will be of the most extreme importance. In naval circles it is believed its destination will be one of three points—Santiago de Cuba, Cienfuegos or Havana.

CADIZ FLEET READY TO START.

Gibraltar, May 16.—It is now rumored that the Pelayo, the Carlos V., three torpedo boats and three transatlantic steamers, with provisions and troops, are preparing to sail in a few days for the Philippines. Cadiz Bay is said to be thoroughly mined. The Alfonso XIII. remains at Cadiz as a guardship.

THE OREGON SAFE.

Washington, May 16.—The maneuver of the Spanish fleet is a relief to naval officials here, as it seems to assure the safety of the battleship Oregon. She is proceeding from the north coast of South America to join Admiral Sampson's fleet, and is somewhere in the neighborhood of Martinique. Had the Spanish squadron remained at that port, there would have been serious danger that the Oregon would be intercepted. Now, however, she is well out of the way of the Spanish fleet so long as she follows the usual routes.

GUSSIE FAILED AGAIN.

On Board the Herald's Dispatch Boat Albert F. Dewey, off Havana, via Key West, May 16.—The steamer Gussie made several unsuccessful attempts on Saturday to effect a landing on the Cuban coast in the vicinity of Havana. The Gussie, when sighted in the morning, was about two miles off Morro Castle. About 8:30 five shots were heard east of the entrance of the Mariel Bay, and the Gussie steamed close to shore, thinking it must be a signal from the insurgents, for whom she was to land arms. Spanish pickets were patrolling the shore in such force that it was impracticable to attempt a landing.

Another attempt to effect a landing was made about 10 o'clock, near Banes. When the Guessie was about 200 yards from the shore, some field batteries, probably half a mile inland, opened fire. Several shells struck the water near the Gussie, and the Manning and Wasp, which were near by, quickly silenced the batteries with three shells. Finding it impossible to land there, Capt. Dorst, who is in charge of the troops, returned to the blockading fleet off Havana to consult Commodore Watson. After they had consulted on the situation a messenger was sent ashore near Matanzas to see if it was possible to land the supplies there.

The experience of the Gussie, in the opinion of most of the officers of the fleet, shows the necessity of moving a large body of United States troops to Cuba immediately for the purpose of seizing and holding a permanent base on the island.

TWO REPORTERS CAPTURED.

Havana, May 16.—Last Saturday American cruisers approached the entrance to Bahai, Honda Bay, firing shots and attempting a landing. The Spanish troops in ambush repelled the attack and captured Charles H. Thrall and Salvador Johnson, who are said to be reporters of New York papers.

There are over 1,000 men enlisted to form a battalion of sailors organized by a prominent navy officer to defend the coast around Havana. A crisis exists in the colonial government

Famine in Havana

RECONCENTRADOS DYING FOR LACK OF FOOD.

Key West, May 16.—A tale of great suffering in Havana is brought here by Major Lima, inspector of the northern coast of Cuba, of the Cuban army under Gen. Alexander Rodriguez, who arrived here with four officers of his staff. Major Lima was taken off the coast of Cuba, between Del Norte and Cojimar, by a United States gunboat. The major is the bearer of dispatches for the United States military authorities, asking for the co-operation of the latter, and seeking arms and supplies. He may proceed to Tampa after conferring with Commodore Watson.

Major Lima says the uprising in the vicinity of Havana has brought about frightful conditions of starvation. He adds that cart loads of reconcentrados who have died from lack of food are taken daily through the Spanish lines. The bodies are thrown together in piles, without any form of burial, for the buzzards to feed upon. Major Lima asserts that the Cubans around Havana are gathering strength every day, but he explains that they are in need of supplies.

BLANCO HAS BEEN BUSY.

City of Mexico, May 16.—Leading Spanish residents have inside news from Havana, brought by the steamer Lafayette to Vera Cruz. Blanco has shown great energy in preparing for the expected siege by the American fleet and land forces. The city and forts are provisioned for three or four months. It is believed the mortality among the besiegers in the hot and rainy season will compel the Americans to raise the siege. Havana is now surrounded by entrenchments for 30 miles. The troops in the garrison number 70,000, and a like number are in the interior fighting the insurgents.

The condition of the reconcentrados in Havana grows steadily worse. The Spaniards ask them when their Yankee benefactors are coming to relieve them. The mortality is increasing among this wretched class, who have taken to begging for morsels of food. Nobody in Havana except a few high officers knows that the Spanish fleet was annihilated at Manila, and the story is believed that the Americans were beaten. Blanco allows no unfavorable news to be circulated. It is believed in Havana that the campaign in the island will prove enormously fatal to the American troops, and will be prolonged a year. Another account is that food supplies in Havana are good for a much less time, and that Blanco is in a trap unless the Spanish fleet breaks the blockade to allow supplies to come in. The Havana people continue light-hearted, and the theaters put on pieces ridiculing the American fleet.

THE FLYING SQUADRON.

Charleston, S. C., May 16.—The four vessels of war, comprising the major portion of the flying squadron, Commodore Schley, anchored off Charleston Bar, nine miles from Charleston city, at 4:30 p.m. yesterday, after having been at sea three days, and with no sign of the Spanish cruisers or torpedo boats said to be in this locality. The squadron has been ordered to Key West, and sailed later in the evening.

Cape Haytien, Hayti, May 16.—The United States torpedo boat Porter and the store ship Supply, which have been here waiting orders, have sailed to join Admiral Sampson's squadron. The squadron passed Cape Haytien yesterday.

SPANISH TORPEDO BOAT DISABLED.

Washington, May 16.—Secretary Long has authorized the publication of the statement that the torpedo boat Terror, belonging to the Spanish fleet, was disabled at Port de France, Martinique.

Secretary Long also made public a message received from Key West telling of the departure of the United States vessel Uncas, in command of Capt. Brainard. She is bound for some point in Cuba, with a view to securing the release of two American prisoners, under a flag of truce, in exchange for Spanish prisoners.

65,000 VOLUNTEERS MUSTERED.

Washington, May 16.—Sixty-five thousand volunteers have been mustered into the regular army up to the present time. Orders have been issued directing 58 regiments of light infantry, 11

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