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BANGING AT SANTIAGO

Sampson and Schley Said to Have Renewed the Attack.

FIRST BOMBARDMENT WAS ONLY A FEELER

The Fleets Supported by a Land Attack on the Part of Insurgents—A Bloody Fight Was Reported to be Raging Last Night—Details Could Not be Obtained—Santiago to be Captured and Made the Base of Supplies—Spain Still Claims a Victory.

AGAIN BOMBARDING SANTIAGO.

New York, June 2.—A World despatch from Port au Prince says the American fleet has renewed the attack at Santiago, and it is reported that the rebels from Sigüenza camp have attacked the city in three columns. A bloody fight is now raging.

The above Associated Press despatch presents the most important news of the war situation received last night. The detailed accounts of the bombardment of Tuesday go to show that that engagement was only a preliminary one, designed to find out how strong the forts of Santiago were, Commodore Schley's ships and men appear to have escaped without damage of a serious nature, while of course the casualties on the other side can only be guessed at.

CHANGE OF PLAN.

Santiago Will Probably Be a Base of Supplies for the American Forces.

New York, June 2.—(Special to Toronto World.)—A Washington special says: The chief significance of Sampson's move to Santiago is probably that that point is to be made the base of operations in Cuba for the present, instead of some point on the north coast, as originally intended. This change has been brought about by Cervera's peculiar tactics, as, if his fleet had not taken refuge at Santiago, there would have been no occasion for not adhering to the first plan.

Fighting at Santiago.

A Port au Prince, Hayti, special to The World says: The American fleet is reported from Santiago to have renewed the attack on the forts at the entrance to the bay this morning. Three thousand rebels are within three miles of Santiago, which is in a panic, momentarily expecting an attack.

Another Expedition Landed. A Tampa, Fla., special to The Herald says: The transport Florida returned to day, after landing one of the largest expeditions for arming and reinforcement of the Cuban army yet sent. Confined on board on a charge of desertion is an American named Tate. Tate told the captain he had killed a man on shore and did not care stay with the volunteers.

THE ACTUAL DETAILS.

Concise Account of the Bombardment of Santiago—The Fight Was a Little One.

On board the Associated Press Despatch Boat Dandy, off Port Antonio, June 1.—(Delayed in transmission.)—The squadron commanded by Commodore Schley attacked the batteries at Santiago de Cuba yesterday afternoon, and also engaged the ships of Admiral Cervera, which were lying in the harbor. The Spanish flagship Cristobal Colon was struck twice by shells fired from the Massachusetts, and the Spanish batteries were badly damaged by the fire of the United States cruiser New Orleans.

NONE OF OUR BUSINESS

Where Canadian Coal Goes To if Sold to Private Americans.

Washington, June 2.—The Spanish Government has made a protest to the British authorities against the shipping of Canadian coal from British North America to San Francisco for relief of the ships of Admiral Dewey's fleet at Manila and also against the shipping of coal from Nova Scotia to Atlantic ports for use by United States warships operating in the West Indies.

The Indefatigable on Hand.

Kington, Jamaica, June 2.—A despatch from Port Antonio says that the British second-class cruiser Indefatigable returned there from Santiago de Cuba yesterday. The cruiser has been ordered to Santiago to assist the wounded in the expected naval battle. The ship's surgeon was on leave of absence and a Government medical officer was taken.

PRINCE KONG IS DEAD.

He Was Reported Dead, and Nearly Dead Alive Some Time Ago.

Peikin, June 2.—It was definitely announced yesterday that Prince Kong, President of Tung-Li-Yan (Chinese Foreign Office), is dead, and the Emperor has issued a proclamation ordering the Chinese Court to go into mourning for a stated period. On May 5 the extraordinary official announcement was made that Prince Kong, who was previously reported to have expired on May 2, was still alive. It was said that the Prince had lapsed into unconsciousness, and that the Chinese doctors in attendance had pronounced him dead, but that his condition was critical.

SEEN FROM THE DANDY.

An Account of Schley's Doings Before Santiago—Dead-Eye Shooting by Americans.

On board the Associated Press despatch boat Dandy, off Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 1.—For an hour yesterday afternoon the Massachusetts, Iowa, New Orleans and Viceroy of Commodore Schley's squadron exchanged shots with the Spanish fleet, under Admiral Cervera, and with the land batteries guarding the harbor of Santiago de Cuba, behind which the Spanish fleet is hiding. The engagement was the first which occurred between the two naval forces and was but a prelude to serious work on the latter part of the week. No attempt was made by the American fleet to enter the harbor.

REMOVING THE SICK.

Hospital Ship Solace Sails for New York.

Key West, June 2.—The hospital ship Solace sailed for New York last night, having on board 86 sick and wounded sailors and marines from the hospitals here. The patients will do better in a cooler climate and the Key West hospital room is likely to be all needed so soon as the forward movement begins.

RECORD FIRE IN INDIA.

Damage Will Foot Up to Twenty Million Dollars.

Bombay, June 2.—A conflagration at Peshwar, a fortified town of India, capital of a district of that name in the Punjab, which was not mastered for 24 hours, has destroyed 4000 houses, doing damage to the amount of four crores of rupees (about \$2,000,000). This is supposed to be the greatest fire on record in India.

PEACE MEASURES AFOOT.

Spain Seeking European Intervention Through an Ambassador.

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OTTAWA NEWS NOTES.

A New York Artist to Paint Lady Aberdeen's Portrait—The Protest Against Mr. Powell, M.L.A.

Ottawa, June 2.—(Special.)—W. H. Funk, a well-known artist of New York, arrived in Ottawa today to accept a commission offered him by Lady Laurier, Lady Thompson, Lady Ritchie and Lady Tilley, on behalf of the National Council of Women of Canada. The commission is the painting of a full-length portrait of the Countess of Aberdeen, wife of the Governor-General of Canada.

Obstructing the Harbor.

Key West, Fla., June 2.—The tug Leyden, which has been scouting along the northern coast of Cuba, reports that the Spaniards are filling Cardenas harbor with old hulks, boilers and other obstructions, in order to prevent any effective entrance of the American ships.

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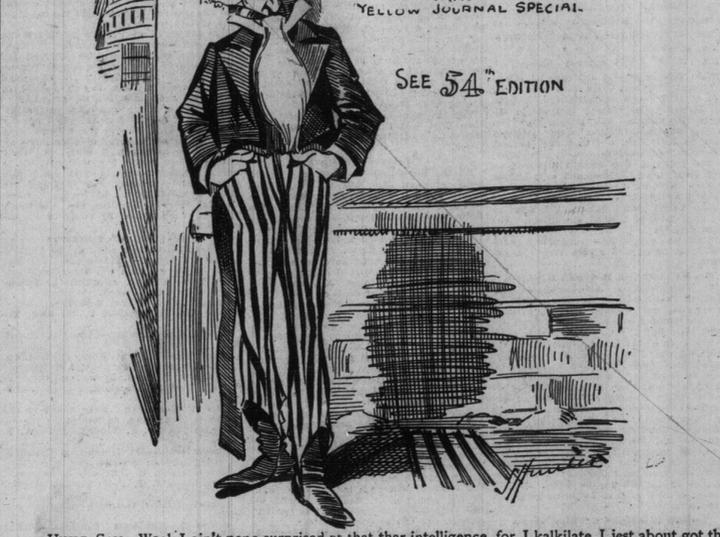
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A POWERFUL COMBINATION.

OF AMERICAN FLEET.

THE SPANISH SMASHED! HUNDREDS KILLED! YELLOW JOURNAL SPECIAL.

SEE 54th EDITION



UNCLE SAM: Waal, I ain't none surprised at that thar intelligence, for I kalkilate I jest about got the slickest ships, the smartest sailors and the most powerful newspaper liars on 'arth.

THE THIN END OF THE WEDGE

United States Officials Seem to Expect to Gain a Point Over the Canadian Sealers.

Washington, D.C., June 2.—The Canadian negotiations recently concluded here led to the signing of a protocol which formally agreed to the exact subjects to be submitted to an international commission. While the protocol makes no preliminary agreement on the several questions, yet it is the general understanding among officials that the Behring Sea question will be adjusted and finally settled by the complete termination of pelagic sealing. This has been a source of controversy for many years, the United States seeking to put an end to pelagic sealing, and Canada, through the Imperial Government, contesting against this termination of an industry very profitable to many citizens of the Canadian Pacific Coast. During the recent negotiations, however, it developed that this industry was practically extinct, and was no longer profitable to any considerable number of Canadians. It was stated by those well versed in the matter, that only two Canadian vessels were engaged at present in sealing operations in Behring Sea. Herefore the Canadian sealers have gone to Behring Sea by the hundreds, and it was thought for Canada to stop the industry without paying these sealers a very considerable sum, running into the millions, for the extermination of their industry. Now, however, under the changed conditions, it is said that Canada, has only a few sealers to deal with, and that she is therefore in a position to meet the contentions of the United States without seriously injuring a large established industry. While no agreement toward giving up pelagic sealing was reached during the recent meeting, the discussion was along lines indicating that the coming commission without difficulty and with due regard for the interest of both Governments, could put an end to the Behring Sea controversy by agreeing to a complete suspension of pelagic sealing. It is understood, also, that the protocol specifically recites that there shall be three representatives from each Government in the Canadian-American commission.

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BARBARITY IN CANADA

Outrageous Treatment of Workmen on the Crow's Nest Contract.

THE FINDINGS OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION

Company and Contractors Did Not Live Up to Their Agreement—Men Treated Worse than Dogs—Made to Live in Hovels Swarming with Lice and Vermin—Subjected to All Manner of Harshness if They Dared to Complain—A Scandal on Humanity.

Ottawa, June 2.—(Special.)—The report of the commission appointed by the Government in January last to enquire into the charge of ill-treatment accorded the laborers on the Crow's Nest Pass contract by the company in charge, or its contractors, is out. It will be a painful revelation to Canadians to peruse it. A member from the Great West stated in the House yesterday that the case of the two young men, Fraser and Macdonald, who were left to die with less care than humanity would accord a dog, was not an isolated one. He never spoke a truer word. Commodore Judge Dugas, Frank Pedley and Mr. Appleton of Winnipeg tell a tale which completely vindicates Mr. Bell of Pictou, who cited the particular cases in the House. It would harrow up the blood.

What the Commissioners Found.

The findings of the commission are substantially as follows:

- 1. The company and its contractors have not lived up to their agreement with the workmen.
2. No arrangements were made to receive the men upon their arrival at Macleod.
3. The men were compelled to sleep on frozen ground in the open air without blankets or shanties, open cars or tents, without fire of any kind.
4. No measures were taken to keep the men clean; in fact the surroundings were simply disgusting. They were kept in filthy hovels, swarming with lice and vermin, and without ventilation or light.
5. The contractors were undoubtedly to blame for having allowed the men to sleep under tents in January, with the thermometer down to 30 and 40 below zero.
6. The food given the men was in many cases frozen and in any case bad.
7. The men were subjected to all kinds of bad treatment when they dared to complain.
8. The men were charged for the transportation of mail they never received.
9. The men were left at Fort Macleod many weeks without work, and when put to work were charged for contractors and men. The minimum rate of wages should be \$2 or \$2.50 per day, and not more than \$4 or \$5 per week should be charged for board.
10. The sale of liquor should be prohibited where work is going on.
11. Officers who should be appointed and empowered to remedy any grievances and to enforce the regulations.

Remedies Suggested.

The report of the commission concludes by suggesting six remedial regulations. They are:

- 1. To have agents engaging men under Government supervision, and to stipulate that men must be in good health.
2. To have employers protected from demands by agents.
3. To have a minimum rate of wages set by law.
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