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WAR NOTES.

Porto Rico is 4 days sail from New York, 10 days from Cadiz; 7½ days from C. Verde, and 2½ from Key West. Havana is 11 days from Cadiz, 2½ from New York, and 6 hours from Key West.

On Board Flagship New York (off Havana, April 26 (filed 11.02 p. m., Key West, Fla)—The blockade continues. Up to this hour there have been no casualties in the United States blockading squadron.

London, April 27.—The Washington correspondent of the Daily News says: "President McKinley thinks Cuba can be reduced by hunger, when the powers will intervene to compel Spain to recognize the loss of the island and to abandon the war. There is a growing impression that there will be no real fighting, especially since the Spanish fleet seems disposed to remain on the European side of the water.

London April 27.—Six British warships, it is reported at Kingston, Jamaica, will patrol the seas in the neighborhood of Cuba during the hostilities between the United States and Spain.

There is a strong feeling in London that the war will be a protracted one

It is said that Havana has not opened fire on the American fleet.

Hon. William R. Day of Ohio has been appointed Secretary in place of Sherman who resigned.

The Spanish have mined the harbor of Manila.

The States is preparing to cut the cable between Cuba and Jamaica in order to cut off connection as much as possible with Cuba.

President McKinley says the United States must never forget Great Britain's good will.

Last evening the Mangrove, the smallest vessel in the U. S. navy, towed into Key West the richest prize yet taken a vessel four times her size. It was the Panama a big Atlantic liner and an auxiliary cruiser of the Spanish navy. She had 29 passengers including three women.

St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands, April 26, 6.44 p. m.—The Spanish fleet is still here and there is no sign of its intention to put to sea today. Ammunition and projectiles are placed ready on deck for each gun, and on board the warships the men appear to be anxious to fight. The squadron is still busy coaling and taking stores on board.

London, April 26.—Lloyds had received no news of the American Liner 'Paris' up to six o'clock this morning.

Queenstown, April 27, 1 a. m.—Str. Majestic reports passing American liner, presumably the Paris, Monday morning, 4 o'clock, lat. 48.52, lon. 29.06.

New York, April 26.—The White Star steamer Bovic, which arrived today from Liverpool, brought 553 cases of cannons, carriage work, empty shells and empty cartridge cases, shipped by the Sir W. G. Armstrong and Withworth company, for the United States government.

Paris, April 26.—The French Cabinet today approved the neutrality proclamation.

Washington, April 26.—Many British colonies have notified the United States that neutrality has been proclaimed between the United States and Spain.

Kingstown, Ireland, April 26.—The mail steamer 'Ireland' said to have been purchased by the United States, has been forbidden to sail.

Washington, April 26.—The State Department has sent all foreign nations notices of Congress's declaration that war has existed since April 21. This was done to preserve United States rights

Two English Men-of-war are expected to arrive from Halifax at an early date, one to be stationed near Welchpool, Campobello Island, N. B., about one and a half miles across the bay, and the other to cruise about St. Andrews bay near St. Andrews, N. B. fifteen miles up the St. Croix river from this city. The gunboats will remain in this vicinity to look after Canadian or English property in the event of war between Spain and Uncle Sam.—Ex.

So far as is known all the United States consuls have made their way safely out of Spain. Consul Fay, at Darien, has reported to the department from Lisbon; Consul Bowen at Barcelona from Paris, and Consul Scarroll at Cadiz, and Consul Bartleman at Malaga, from Gibraltar. The department has assured itself that the others are safe.

The Tucker Case.

The circuit court opened yesterday Chief Justice Tuck presiding. The grand jury found a true bill against Annie J. Janovan, charged with murdering, by poison, her sister Minnie Tucker. Attorney-General White represents the crown; W. P. Jones, for the prisoner. There are a large number of witnesses and the case will occupy a week or more.

The case proceeded today but no special developments came up. Among the petit jurors are: William Smalley, James Good, L. R. Harding, Geo. Good, Theo. Cain, John Reynolds and Weldon Melville.

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The farmers and merchants interested in the establishment of a pork packing factory at Middleton, N. S., have subscribed nearly twelve thousand dollars of the required stock.

The members of the Free Baptist Church held a meeting on Tuesday to consider the advisability of erecting a parsonage. It is said progress was made but no decisive action was taken.

The Enterprise Hotel has been renovated, and properly prepared for the accomodation of boarders both steady and transient. Meals furnished ready on call, for travellers. Mrs. Boone the present hostess will make it a special care and labor to give satisfaction and comfort to her guests and would kindly solicit a share of the public patronage.

DRANK POISON!

Terrible Results of a Foolish Act.

A sad occurrence took place at Bath last week, which resulted in the death of one young man, and very nearly cost another his life. Dibblee Giberson and Charles Sweeney bought methylated spirits or wood alcohol from a Houlton druggist, telling him they wanted it for external application. The druggist cautioned them against taking it internally and labelled the bottle "Poison." Notwithstanding the precautions the young men thought it would be a good idea to try to get drunk on the stuff, thereupon they each drank of it. Now methylated spirits has many properties similar to alcohol, also may that are dissimilar. The former is a much more virulent poison than the latter, and less than a drachm has caused death. So it is little wonder that the fool-hardy young men were taken violently ill, scarcely being able to get to their homes at Bath, on Tuesday. Giberson, married, aged 25, was taken unconscious and died on Thursday, Dr. Cummings having done all in his skill for him. Sweeney was very ill and his recovery was doubted, but last reports state him better. He is 20 years old and unmarried.

Gladstone is failing fast. At Lincoln, Sunbury Co, one family has lost nine children in two weeks from diptheria.

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