

GEN. SHAFER'S LETTER

SENDS REPORT OF SANTIAGO COMMISSION

CAPTURED SOME MODERN GUNS

The Cuban Campaign Exceeds in Hardships Anything Known in the Civil War—Praises His Men

Associated Press Special Wire WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The secretary of war has received the following letter from General Shafter, transmitting the commissioner's report of the surrender of Spanish territory at Santiago:

CAMP BEFORE SANTIAGO DE CUBA, July 18, 1898.—I take the liberty of sending to you this morning a copy of the agreement between the commissioners on my part and the commissioners on the part of the government of Spain for the surrender of eastern Cuba.

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Washington to treat all immigrants from Hawaii as alien immigrants until such time as laws can be perfected to govern them. This rule will settle all questions as to the entrance of certain races for the time being and will be a warning to steamship companies.

Cut His Throat NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Wm. H. Marston, 68 years old, a broker, committed suicide by cutting his throat in this city today. He was a brother of Charles E. Marston, who has been missing from home since last Tuesday.

Pierce Made a Counsel WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The President today made the following appointments: George M. Pierce of Pennsylvania, to be Consul of the United States at Munich, Bavaria.

Locating Coal Claims PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Aug. 1.—Letters received here state that many prospectors between Copper river and

Cook's inlet, Alaska, have abandoned their search for gold and are locating coal claims. The country is said to be one mass of coal, in which is claimed to be an excellent quality of lignite.

Old Chang on Top LONDON, Aug. 1.—The Peking correspondent of the Standard says: "Today (Monday) the empress dowager openly relieved the emperor of all real power. The ministers take their instructions directly from her and Li Hung Chang practically supersedes the Tsung Li Yamen."

Great Circus Man Dead COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 1.—Ephraim W. Sells, the elder of the Sells brothers, well known circus man, died here at noon today of Bright's disease, after an illness of several months.

Attitude of France NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—A dispatch to the World from Paris says: Henri Brisson, the Premier of France, said to the World correspondent: "The course of the United States throughout the war with Spain has been noble. It has been a revelation to Europe. In my opinion, when the American conditions of peace are known the world will be astonished. I expect that the

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A PITIFUL APPEAL

LAST MESSAGE OF LINARES TO HIS GOVERNMENT

Sick and Disheartened, Knowing That Defeat Must Come He Begs Permission to Surrender

GUANTANAMO, Province of Santiago de Cuba, July 25.—An official report of Gen. Linares to the Madrid government, transmitted on July 13, is full of pathos, as it tells of Spaniards, thousands of miles from home, striving to defend property which the owners have deserted. The report sent by cable on July 13 was addressed to the minister of war. It was translated for the Associated Press by Commodore Schley. The text in full is as follows:

Official cablegram, July 12, 1898. To the Minister of War, from the General-in-Chief of the Division of Santiago de Cuba: "Although confined to my bed by great weakness and in much pain, the situation of the long-suffering troops here occupies my mind to such an extent that I deem it my duty to address your excellency, that the state of affairs may be explained.

"The enemy's lines are very near the town. On account of the nature of the ground, our lines are in full view of them. Troops weak; sick in considerable proportion not sent to hospitals, owing to the necessity for keeping them in the entrenchments. Horses and mules without the usual allowance of forage. In the midst of wet season, with 24 hours' daily fall of rain, in the trenches, which are simply ditches dug in the ground, without any permanent shelter for the men. The men have nothing but rice to eat, and no means of changing or drying their clothing.

"Considerable losses; field officers and company officers killed, wounded, sick, and troops deprived of necessary orders in critical moments.

"Under these circumstances, it is impossible to fight our way out, because in attempting to do so our forces would be lacking one-third of the men, who could not leave, and we would be weakened besides by casualties caused by the enemy, resulting finally in a veritable disaster, without saving our diminished battalions. In order to get out, protected by the Holguin division, it will be necessary for them to come and break the enemy's lines in one place, so that my forces may break in another and act in conjunction.

"The complete exodus of the inhabitants, insular as well as peninsular, includes the occupants of the public offices, with few exceptions. There only remain the clergy, and they today started to leave the town, with the archbishop at their head.

"The defenders here cannot now begin a campaign full of enthusiasm and energy. They came here three years ago, struggling against the climate, privations and fatigues, and now they are placed in these sad circumstances, where they have no food, no physical force and no means of recuperation. They are defending the property of those that have abandoned it, and of those that are now being fed by the American forces. The honor of arms has its limits, and I appeal to the opinion of the whole nation as to whether these long-suffering troops have not kept it safely many times since May 18, when they were subjected to the first cannonade. If it is necessary that the sacrifice be endured for reasons of which I am ignorant, or that some one else shall assume the responsibility of the unfortunate termination which I have anticipated and mentioned in a number of telegrams, I faithfully offer myself on the altar of my country for the one, and for the other I will retain the command for the purpose of signing the surrender, for my modest reputation is of little value as compared with the country's interests.

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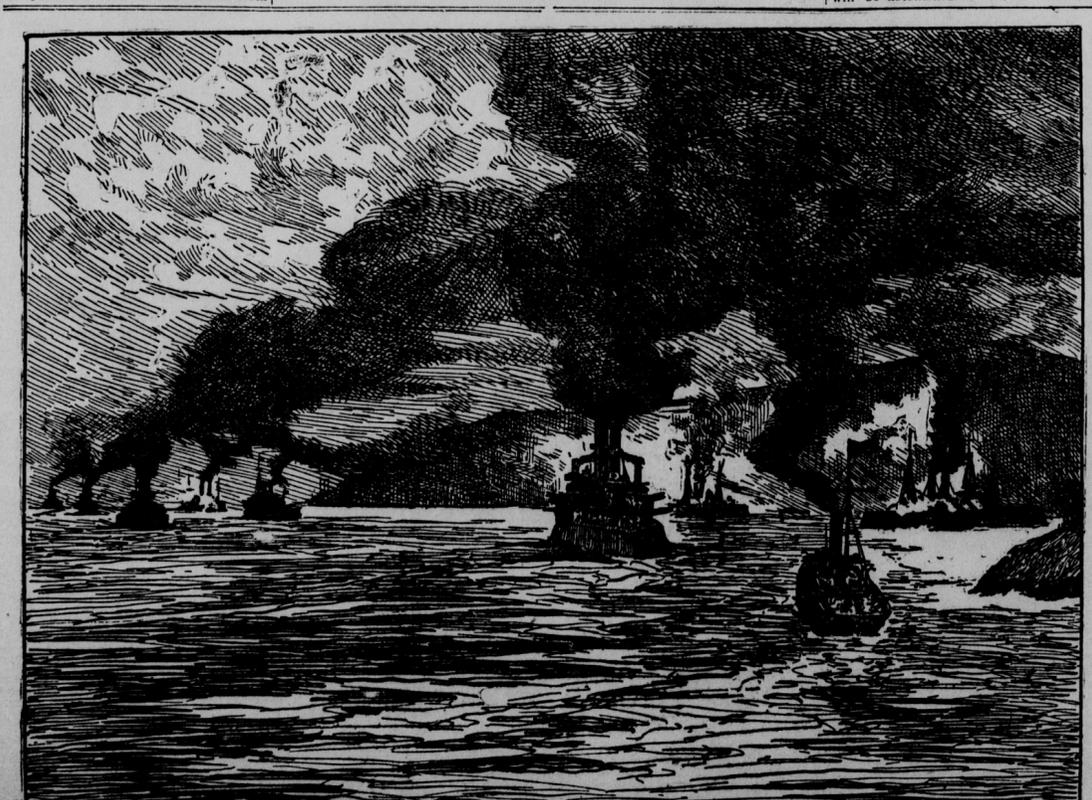
City of Juan Diaz Taken by the Troops—The Columbia Goes Ashore at Ponce

PONCE, Porto Rico, July 31, 10 p. m., via St. Thomas, D. W. I., August 1.—(Copyrighted, 1898, by the Associated Press.) Colonel Hulings, with ten companies of the Sixteenth Pennsylvania, has occupied Juan Diaz, about ten miles from Ponce on the way to San Juan. The American flag was raised and greeted with immense enthusiasm by the populace.

The protected cruiser Columbia went ashore while attempting to enter the harbor of Ponce, but it is expected she will be floated tomorrow.

General Brooke arrived this afternoon. During the afternoon seven companies of the Nineteenth regular infantry arrived on the Cherokee.

Cable communication was opened tonight, but the line will not be in full operation for several days.



THE NAVAL BATTLE OF SANTIAGO. FORTY MINUTES AFTER THE FIGHT BEGAN. From HARPER'S WEEKLY

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AMUSEMENTS

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"I think the United States may be trusted to arrange the future of Cuba for the best."

The World correspondent learns from the French foreign ministry that America's reply to Spain's approaches must pass through the hands of the French Minister of Foreign Affairs, who will forward it to Madrid, but that reply is not expected before Tuesday.

The World correspondent learns further that an armistice is expected, but not until there is a reasonable prospect of a successful issue of the peace negotiations.

merest incident is magnified into an international complication. Germany has withdrawn her ships, her subjects being now under American protection."

The Baron refused to talk about the probable conditions of peace beyond venturing the opinion that Spain will never yield Porto Rico.

Francoise de l'Oncle, a brother of the famed captain of the steamship Bourgogne, connected with the Foreign Ministry under Dr. Freycinet and Gambetta, was interviewed as a representative Frenchman of the bourgeoisie (thrifty) class, and a typical politician. M. de l'Oncle said:

"The Americans have conducted a pacific war with moderation and humanity. The United States announced their object and went directly after it, as they had a right to do."

"General Shafter, instead of destroying Santiago, as Bismarck burned the towns of France, treated it in accordance with the modern diplomatic spirit, which now is as liberal in war as in peace."

"It is a remarkable fact, wholly to the credit of the Americans, that so few lives have been expended in the war. Contrast this pacific spirit with the German attitude toward France in 1870."

NEGLECTING THE WOUNDED NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Dr. M. A. Lesser of the Red Cross, who arrived yesterday from Santiago de Cuba on the United States transport Concho with 127 sick and wounded soldiers, speaking today regarding conditions on the transports, said: "Orders were received to supply the Concho with 1000 rations for 175 persons who were expected on board of her. Major Lagarde and Dr. Ireland went through the camp and selected 175 convalescents and convalescent fever patients who were able to walk. In order to return home the men will frequently affect illness to such a degree that it may be often hard to determine whether one is sick or not. Medicines were supplied therefore in quantities thought to be sufficient, but on the eve of departure it was found that the entire ship load, excepting possibly twenty-five persons, were suffering from fever and bowel troubles, for which there proved to be an insufficient supply of medicines on board the ship. The rations put on board were therefore unfit to be served to the sick men. The supply of water also was impure and unfit for use. Having been taken aboard at Tampa early in May, the Concho has but fifty-eight state room berths. Bunks were provided for the men between decks, but being devoid of mattresses, and owing to the intense heat, were practically useless. The men could not live below. Many were compelled to stop on deck under awnings."

Dr. Lesser has issued a statement regarding the matter to the President of the Red Cross Society, which it is expected will be given to the press tomorrow.

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The men were elated over their release from the over-crowded quarters of the transport. The sick left on board the Concho will be transferred to more comfortable quarters immediately. All are resting comfortably. Corporal Patterson and Private James Rountree are both quite sick with typhoid fever. Major H. T. Allen is still on board, suffering from a fever in his face.

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