

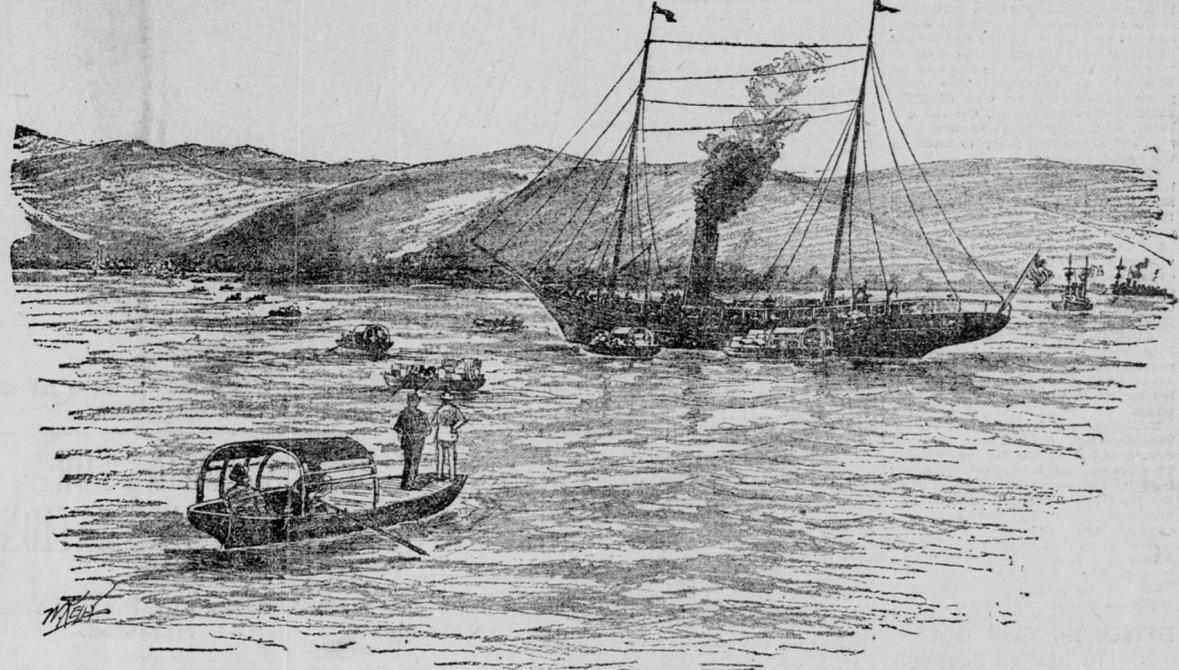


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SHAFTER'S ARMY HAS LANDED BY THIS TIME

PROTECTED BY GUNS OF THE FLEET

Once Ashore the Invading Troops Will Lose No Time in Attacking and Capturing Santiago.



LANDING ARMS AND SUPPLIES FOR CUBANS FROM THE UNITED STATES GUNBOAT VIXEN AT ASSERADO.

MADRID, June 19.—Private dispatches received here from New York say General Shafter's expedition has landed near Santiago de Cuba and will attack the town immediately.

NEW YORK, June 19.—The Washington correspondent of the Herald telegraphs: Secretary Long believes that under the protection of the guns of Rear Admiral Sampson's men-of-war American troops are being landed from transports in the vicinity of Buiquiri, preparatory to an attack on the city of Santiago de Cuba. Long said this evening that he was momentarily expecting a cable message from Admiral Sampson announcing the arrival of the troops and that debarkation was in progress. He said it was possible the troops might have reached the vicinity of Santiago de Cuba at midnight last night, in which event the debarkation would have continued steadily during the entire day. It is understood in official circles here that the point of landing of the troops will be swept clear of Spaniards by the shell and shrapnel of the American vessels, after which the Cubans will take station at some distance in the interior to prevent the Spaniards from attacking the troops as they go ashore. In this manner it is confidently expected that a body of troops can be debarked which will be able to re-enforce the insurgents and keep the enemy engaged, if they should attack, until additional troops can be got to their assistance. With the troops disembarked on Cuban soil there will be no delay in the prosecution of the business which has called them to Santiago. Secretary Long said to me the present would be the most important week of the war up to this time, and it is evident from his remark he anticipates an attack on Santiago is to follow the landing of the troops. In army circles it is said that at least two or perhaps three days will be necessary to get the troops and all necessary traps ashore. The wharf at Buiquiri will be useful in permitting transports to get alongside of it and discharge their men and guns and artillery caissons which they have in their holds. The point of landing determined upon is connected by road with Santiago, which will make easier the task of the engineers of preparing the way over which the troops are to march in their offensive operations against the Spaniards. It is expected that

CAMARA'S SQUADRON IS DOOMED

Destruction Its Fate No Matter What May Be the Destination.

American Warships May Be Sent Against the Spanish Coast as a Counter Move.

NEW YORK, June 19.—The Washington correspondent of the Herald sends the following: Destruction will be the fate of Admiral Camara's squadron, whether its destination be the Philippines or the West Indies. This is the confident belief of officials. It is based upon complete and satisfactory accounts of the defective condition of the vessels comprising the fleet. As a counter move, the result of the early prospective departure of the Spanish fleet from peninsular waters, the authorities made the official admission to-day that plans have been perfected for the formation of a flying squadron to be sent against the Canary Islands and the Spanish coast. Spanish auxiliary cruisers is pronounced most important by officials, and among some of them it is believed to be a straw indicating the Philippines are really the destination of the Spanish men-of-war. On the other hand, it is pointed out that Admiral Camara, anticipating the closing of Cuban and Porto Rican harbors by the Americans, may have coal aboard in order that his ships might coal at sea after having made a dash upon the American coast, as threatened by Lieutenant Caranza in his famous purloined letter. It is definitely known that Camara's men-of-war are still at Cartagena. Consul Sprague, the representative of this Government at Gibraltar, cabled the State Department to-day that he had reliable information of its continued presence at that port. If bound for the Philippines more than a month will be consumed in making the voyage. An official with whom I talked to-night said that the President firmly believes that the interests of this Government will be better subserved by the dispatch of a squadron against the peninsula of Spain than by attempting to take the city of Havana with raw troops against the well trained men which Blanco is able to put in the field.

HOBSON HAS BEEN REMOVED

And by This Time Morro Castle Is Probably in Ruins.

Being Afraid of Dynamite From the Vesuvius Spaniards Desert the Forts at Night.

ON BOARD THE HERALD.—CALL DISPATCH.—BOAT SOMERS N. SMITH, OFF SANTIAGO SATURDAY NIGHT (via Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sunday, June 19—noon.—By the time this dispatch reaches you Morro Castle, the principal fortification of the harbor of Santiago, probably will be a mass of ruins. The work of completing the destruction of Santiago's outer defenses will be undertaken either by the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius or by the guns of the warships in the American fleet. As I have explained in previous dispatches to the Herald and The Call, the only thing that has prevented the destruction of Morro Castle long ago was the fact that Lieutenant Richmond Pearson Hobson and other members of the Merrimac's crew were imprisoned in that fortification, and the Americans took every precaution to spare them from danger during the recent bombardments. Admiral Sampson has been convinced from the first that Admiral Cervera and General Linares had Hobson and his fellow-heroes placed in Morro Castle solely to prevent the Americans from shelling that fort. This chance opportunity furnished the last hope the Spaniards had of long avoiding the surrender of the city of Santiago and Admiral Cervera's fleet to Admiral Sampson. As long as they held the Merrimac's men there as a shield the American Admiral made his instructions against firing on Morro Castle most explicit. In the several bombardments that have taken place in the vicinity our gunners have been at a disadvantage because of this necessary order. They were most careful in aiming the guns not to allow a single shot even to threaten Morro with destruction. Admiral Sampson to-day learned positively that two of the Merrimac's men had been taken by the Spaniards to the Marine Hospital, and that all the others had been removed back to the city. Upon receiving this information the admiral immediately rescinded his order not to fire on Morro Castle. "One dynamite shell will destroy the fort," the admiral said, as he discussed with those on board the flagship the latest action of the enemy in dealing with Lieutenant Hobson and his men. From the first the action of the Spaniards in confining these prisoners in Morro under the fire of our guns has been bitterly condemned by the officers and men in the fleet. Another brilliant exploit has been

ONE BIG SHELL FROM THE OREGON HIT GUANTANAMO

GUANTANAMO, Cuba, June 18 (via Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 19).—It is with fury that the Spaniards learn that they must leave the American ships in undisturbed possession of this harbor and the marines in peace at Fort McCalla. The lesson has been so unmercifully hammered into them within the last few days that they are beginning to comprehend that their ambition to drive the marines into the sea is hopeless. The warning was given to them some days ago, and the shells which were hurled yesterday from the Texas, Marblehead and Suwanee have had a salutary effect, and this morning the Marblehead, St. Paul, Dolphin and Suwanee went at them again. Cuban scouts had reported that a number of Spanish soldiers were massed at a point of land lying between the fleet and the town. The Marblehead and Suwanee steamed in and took a position within easy range of them and the St. Paul and Dolphin opened from their anchorages. The firing began at 9 o'clock and continued for an hour, during which the strip of raised land was mowed almost level with the sea. This was the beginning of the day's work. It was carried on by the Oregon, which came in from the blockading fleet. When she had finished coaling she went close in shore and sent four 13-inch and six 8-inch shells in search of a Spanish gunboat which is hiding up the bay. One 13-inch shell struck a building in the town and threw debris a hundred feet in the air. It was a cascade of stone and mortar. Soon afterward the Cuban scouts reported that hundreds of Spanish troops in Guantanamo, aroused by reason of this shot, were massing for an attack on Fort McCalla. A company of fifty bluejackets and one field piece was immediately sent from the colliers and the Panther to re-enforce the marines. The expected attack did not take place.

BREAK LOOSE FROM THE SPANISH YOKE

Native Proclamation of Independence Will Be Signed To-Day at Manila. LONDON, June 20.—The Hongkong correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing Sunday, says: "The native proclamation of independence will be signed on Monday. Manila is completely surrounded by the insurgents, of whom there are three forces deployed about the city. The success of the rebels is wonderful. The insurgents have captured old Cavite Church, taking 270 prisoners, and they now hold the entire shore of the bay right around to Malate. A British fire brigade, composed of British, Swiss and Germans, intend to remain ashore. REPORT THAT MANILA HAS CAPITULATED Correspondent of a French Newspaper Telegraphs the Rumor From Madrid. PARIS, June 19.—The Madrid correspondent of the Temps says it is re-

FIERCE FIGHTING AMONG THE SLAVS

While Pursuing the Albanians Many Servians Are Killed by a Turkish Battery. CETTINE, Montenegro, June 19.—There was fighting all day long on Friday, near Berane, on the left bank of the River Lim. The number of killed is not known. The exodus of women and children from the disturbed district into Montenegro territory continues. Yesterday the Servians pursued the Albanians as far as Berane, where a Turkish battery in the fortress fired upon the pursuers, killing one and wounding many. Said Edin Pasha has been sent to restore order and rebuild the burned villages.

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