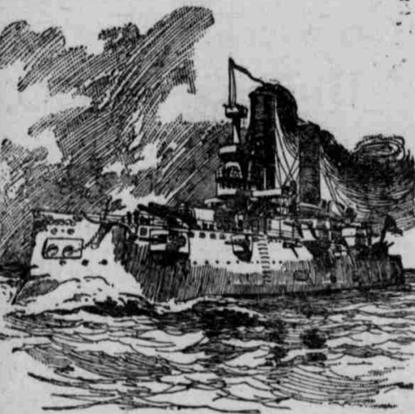


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## GOSSIP FROM THE CAMP.

**The Soldiers at Chickamauga Park Praying for a Hard Down-pour of Rain.**

**THE DUST IS BECOMING INTOLERABLE.**

A Movement on Foot to Induce the President to Pay a Visit to the Camp on the Fourth of July--The Letter Hospital Ready for Opening--The Men Settling Down for a Summer's Work.

CHICKAMAUGA NATIONAL PARK, Tenn., June 8.--The usual hard drills and maneuvers are employing the various regiments of Gen. Brooke's big volunteer army. The temperature continues high, but it is again relieved somewhat by a steady breeze. What the whole army is now praying for is a hard downpour of rain. The dust is increasing daily, and unless rain soon abates it, will become an almost unbearable nuisance. Thousand of horses and wagon constantly moving along the park roads and the long dry spell have combined to make this nuisance the worst, and in fact the only considerable one with which the army has to contend.

Gov. Bradley and staff of Kentucky are here, and Gov. Hastings of Pennsylvania, with his staff, is scheduled to arrive Saturday.

A movement is now on foot to have President McKinley, and such of his cabinet officers as can accompany him, inspect the park army on the Fourth of July. A formal invitation will be extended, and the president will be urged to accept. If the invitation is accepted, the president and his party will be elaborately entertained by the city and at the park.

The Letter Hospital will probably be opened Thursday. All the most serious cases will at once be transferred to it. The place is an ideal one and the army patients will enjoy every comfort in it.

A large number of the volunteers are still suffering with sore arms on account of the vaccination.

The men of the First Missouri were uniformed Tuesday, and will be fully armed and equipped by Friday night.

The First Mississippi will be the next regiment uniformed and equipped.

The Eighth Massachusetts is being inspected by Maj. Stocum, U. S. A.

Brig.-Gen. John A. Wiley, of Pennsylvania, who arrived Tuesday night, has reported to Gen. Brooke at headquarters.

A number of new wells are being drilled in various portions of the park. The supply of drinking water is now ample, and the pipe lines furnish an abundant amount for other purposes.

Gen. Brooke has issued an order forbidding hucksters and peddlers going through the park. The order has gone into effect, and the change is very noticeable. Hundreds of wagons have been going from camp to camp selling inferior stuff of various kinds, and a number have been making small fortunes off the soldiers.

The First Ohio cavalry has been ordered to discontinue preparations for departure. It has been understood for several days that this regiment would move as soon as it could get ready to go. The reason for the change in orders is not apparent.

A number of regiments are scheduled to arrive during the next few days. The First Kentucky is due now. The plan of transporting the army or any part of it is about at an end, and the men are settling down for the summer.

## FORWARD MOVE TO SANTIAGO.

The Army of Invasion Said to Have Left Tampa for Key West, Thence to Santiago.

St. Louis, June 8.--A special to the Post-Dispatch from Washington says: WASHINGTON, June 8.--It is "on to Santiago" in earnest, as transports with troops left Tampa at high-tide. Others will get away during the day, and by daylight Thursday the army of invasion will be in rendezvous at Key West. From there they will proceed immediately to or near Santiago, Adjt.-Gen. Corbin, Tuesday night, sent to Gen. Miles the final orders for Gen. Shafter, who commands the army of invasion.

Following are the troops, all regulars, that he will take with him: Cavalry--First, Second, Third, Fifth, Sixth, Ninth and Tenth regiments. Infantry--First, Second, Third, Fourth, Sixth, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth regiments.

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The engineer battalion and a balloon corps form part of the expedition. The heavy siege train of artillery is under command of Maj. S. S. Mills of the Sixth artillery.

Physically, the command will compare with any troops in the world. All are armed with the Krag-Jorgensen magazine rifles.

Three days will be consumed on the voyage, assuming that an average

## THE CHRISTIAN SOLDIER.

Annual Meeting of the Congregational Home Missionary Society at Cleveland, O.

ANNUAL ADDRESS BY GEN. O. O. HOWARD.

"War, Arbitration and the New Demand for American Home Missions" His Subject--Annual Meeting of the Woman's Department, an Important Auxiliary, Also Held.

CLEVELAND, O., June 8.--At the second session of the seventy-second annual meeting of the Congregational Home Missionary Society the president, Gen. O. O. Howard, delivered his annual address. His subject was "War, Arbitration and the New Demand for American Home Missions." He spoke in part as follows:

MAJ. GEN. O. O. HOWARD, RETIRED. Our Lord has His own way of leading men. He has led our people and our president in a way they did not dream of, step by step, to face new difficulties and new problems. He is requiring us as he did in the days of slavery, to remove obstacles out of His path. The obstacles that have now come to the front are centuries of corruption, murder, assassination, the slaying of hundreds of thousands of innocent people by slow starvation and starvation, and a tyrant prolonged which no man can describe.

We wanted to do all things by peaceful methods. We wanted to extend our influence from man to man and nation to nation by forcing every element of peace and good will. We wanted to think that the Gospel properly proclaimed and sufficiently proclaimed would accomplish the redemption of our own society, that the reformation of nations, Arbitration we had settled upon as something that would result in peace, and that we should be able to do it. We had a peace conference, the slaying of hundreds of thousands of innocent people by slow starvation and starvation, and a tyrant prolonged which no man can describe.

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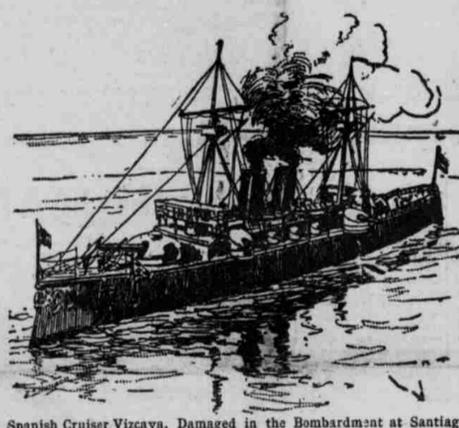
## IS NOT GIVING OUT NEWS.

Secretary Alger Declines to Discuss the Movements of the Troops From Tampa.

DOESN'T WANT TO GIVE SPAIN POINTS.

The War Department Annoyed at the Attempts of Some of the Newspapers to Indicate the Exact Point of Debarkation of the American Troops--Nothing Further From Sampson.

WASHINGTON, June 8.--Secretary Alger positively declined to say whether or not United States troops had sailed from Tampa for Cuba. He



Spanish Cruiser Vizcaya, Damaged in the Bombardment at Santiago.

holds that notwithstanding the bottling up of the Spanish squadron in Santiago, there are still good and sufficient reasons why every precaution should be adopted to prevent the Spanish from obtaining information as to the departure of our troops, the point selected for their debarkation, and the strength of the expedition. It was a good deal annoyed at the attempt of some of the newspapers to indicate the very point selected for landing the troops and siege guns in the neighborhood of Santiago. If it were true that the department had selected a place where there is a strong wharf upon which the vessels may discharge the heavy siege train directly, the publication of that fact, if authenticated, would naturally lead the Spaniards to destroy that particular wharf, and thus seriously hamper the operations of the troops.

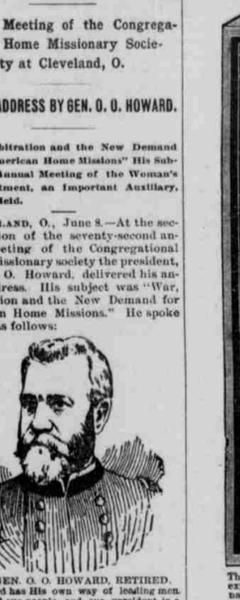
Careful inquiry at the war department, where in connection with the movements of troops might naturally be expected, developed the fact that no word had yet come of the departure of a military expedition from Tampa. As the troops are under orders to go to sea just as soon as they can be made ready, without further direction from the department, it is deemed probable that they will get off some time during the day, and that notice of their departure will be the next received at the department.

No word from Admiral Sampson was received at the navy department. The bulletin made public by the department Tuesday night, in confirmation of the press reports of attack on Santiago last Monday, is believed to be merely a skeleton statement of Admiral Sampson's telegram, which it is surmised contained a good deal more information than it was deemed prudent to make public. Of course, to protect the naval cipher the matter published was a paraphrase, and it was said at the department that the term used in the bulletin, "Silenced the works quickly without injury at any time," was based upon a statement in the original dispatch broad enough to indicate that the ships had sustained no injuries, and that there had been no casualties among the personnel of the American fleet.

Naval officers expressed the belief that about all of the force landed Monday from Sampson's fleet were marines, and that their purpose was not so much to take military possession of the landing as perhaps, to spike some guns which they had seen to be in position, and which might have been recaptured by the Spaniards to advantage after the retirement of the American fleet from the action. One object of Admiral Sampson's attack was to remove the obstruction of the channel caused by the wreck of the Merrimac. Having silenced the forts at the entrance of the harbor, which, while effective, obliged the American fleet to lie many miles out at sea to keep out of range of their guns. Sampson will now be able to place one or more of his ships close to the mouth of the bottle, where it will be in comparative safety, and yet be able to command easily with its guns the wreck of the Merrimac.

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OF INTEREST TO STOCKHOLDERS.

Free Transportation to Attend the Annual Meeting at Chicago--Some Interesting Facts.

In order that stockholders of the Illinois Central Railroad Company may more readily attend in person the annual meeting, there has been posted in each station of the Company a notice to the effect that in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors, there may be issued to each holder of one or more shares of the capital stock of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, as registered on the books of the Company, a ticket enabling him or her to travel free over the Company's lines from the station of the Illinois Central Railroad nearest to his or her registered address, to Chicago and return, for the purpose of attending, in person, the next Annual Stockholders' meeting of the Company, which will be held at its general office in Chicago on Wednesday, September 23, at noon. Details as to the necessary procedure to obtain such a ticket, the date of its issue and limits are fully set forth on the posted notice referred to. In this connection it will be interesting to note that since, in 1862 the capital stock of the Company became full paid, a cash dividend, ranging from a per cent to 10 per cent, per annum, has been paid semi-annually to every holder of stock, and that it is now twenty years since the Company, in any year, paid less than 5 per cent, the present rate of distribution.

## THE FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

(First Regular Session.) SENATE.

WASHINGTON, June 8.--Soon after the senate convened Mr. Hale (Me.), chairman of the naval affairs committee, reported favorably a bill to organize a hospital corps of the United States navy, to define its duties and to regulate its pay. The bill was passed.

The house provision that the application of the act be limited to the duration of the present war with Spain was eliminated from the bill.

Mr. Mason (Ill.) reported from the committee on post offices and post roads, a bill extending the franking privileges through the mail to the officers and men of the army and navy during the existing war, the privilege to extend only to first class matter, each piece weighing not more than one ounce. Went over under objection.

HOUSE.

The day's session of the house began with a slight lull over the annexation of Hawaii. The regular order, pursuant to unanimous consent granted Tuesday, was the consideration of the conference report upon the sanitary civil bill. Mr. Smith (rep. Mich.) demanded the regular order, but withdrew it temporarily to permit the consideration of a minor measure.

Mr. Grosvenor (O.), (rep.), a leader of the annexationists, gained recognition and asked unanimous consent to read and have referred to the committee on rules a resolution providing for giving the Hawaiian resolution precedence over all other business except conference reports until disposed of. The resolution was sent through the regular channel, and the regular order was taken up.

Return of a Government Spy.

NEW YORK, June 8.--Edward Emerson, Jr., an attorney with the war department bureau of information, arrived here on board the steamer Madiana, from St. Thomas, after having performed some hazardous service, and being Marsome, five sailors and 29 marines being killed.

A SAMPLE OF SPANISH LIES.

A Spanish Report to the Effect that Capt. Philip of the Texas was Killed by a Spanish Shell at Santiago.

WASHINGTON, June 8.--Reports coming from Spanish sources, and apparently in Madrid, have stated that Capt. Philip of the Texas had been killed by a shell by the Spanish. The president said that the report undoubtedly was untrue, and said that it was evidently baseless, as Admiral Sampson's official report stated that there were no casualties on land batteries, which the war department indignation is felt at the report of Capt. Philip's death, the department saying that no basis whatever for it in the navy department exists, and that it is calculated much less to alarm his family and friends, than to raise the Spanish ships sunk in Manila Bay.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 8.--Private advices from Washington say that the United States government will raise the Spanish vessels sunk in Manila harbor by Admiral Dewey's gunners, and that three San Francisco firms, the Whitelaw & Son, A. Woodside & Co., and the Pacific Mail Steamship Co., will be called on for bids for undertaking the work.

Two young men of Mason, Mo., tried to settle a family feud with knives. Both are expected to die.

## ADMITTED SPANISH LOSSES.

News Received in Havana from Santiago de Cuba of Losses in Monday's Bombardment.

HAVANA, June 8.--Details from Spanish sources at Santiago de Cuba have been received here of the Spanish losses during the bombardment of the fortifications of the city by the American fleet on Monday. The "marine chief" killed on board the Reina Mercedes was former Capt. Emilio Acosta Eyzermann. Ensign Alejandro Motin, also on the Reina Mercedes, was killed. Col. Ordenez, of the artillery, and inventor of the cannon bearing his name, was slightly wounded. Some other officers were slightly wounded by projectiles, shells and fragments scattered by the explosion of shells on land.

The insurgents dynamited a passenger train near Canas, province of Pinar del Rio, overthrowing one car and derailing the train.

## CRUISER VIZCAYA DAMAGED.

A Shot From the Brooklyn Said to Have Damaged the Spanish Cruiser and Wounded Several of Her Crew.

NEW YORK, June 8.--A special from Kingston, Jamaica, reports that the Spanish cruiser Vizcaya was badly damaged during the bombardment of Santiago's defenses on Monday. A shell from the Brooklyn is said to have burst under the Vizcaya's port quarter, dismounting a gun, injuring the cruiser's rudder and wounding several of her sailors.

Last a Barge and Five Men.

PHILADELPHIA, June 8.--A dispatch to the Marine Exchange from Charleston, S. C., says that the United States steamer Leonidas put in there en route from Norfolk to Key West and reports that on Saturday night the lost an iron water cargo with five men which she was towing.

Death of Judge Grinnell at Chicago.

CHICAGO, June 8.--Judge Julius F. Grinnell died suddenly at the Illinois Trust & Savings bank. Judge Grinnell was famous for the record he made as a fearless public servant, particularly as state's attorney during the prosecution of the Haymarket anarchists.

A Good Cause for Rejoicing.

DURHAM, N. C., June 8.--President Kligo of Trinity college has just announced the gift of \$100,000 to the endowment fund of the college by Walkington Duke. Mr. Duke has given in all \$350,000 to Trinity college. There is great rejoicing among the students and faculty.

Seventeen thousand men are ready at Jacksonville and Tampa to proceed to Porto Rico. Nearly all the transports have been provided and the movement will soon be under way. San Juan will be the first point of attack.

## PHILIPPINES TRANSPORTS.

Assistant Secretary Melkington Clearing Transport Steamers by Charter or Imprestment.

WASHINGTON, June 8.--Assistant Secretary Melkington has chartered the steamships Indiana, Morgan City and City of Para for transports of troops to the Philippines; has closed a contract for the Victoria, Olympia and Arizona, of the Northern Pacific line; has secured the privilege of acquiring the Tacoma and the Columbia, if needed, all five on condition that they be given an American register. He also has ordered impressed into the service the Senator, Queen and City of Pueblo, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Co., if found satisfactory.

A Busted British Millionaire.

LONDON, June 8.--A receiving order in bankruptcy has been issued against Ernest Terah Hooley, for years prominent as the biggest company promoter in this country, prominently interested in bicycle, land and other concerns, and was supposed to be a multi-millionaire.

W. E. Sparks, of Alton, Ill., has received a commission as lieutenant in the United States navy. Mr. Sparks was formerly a navigating and ordnance officer of the Illinois naval reserve. He has orders to go to the front at once.

About 100 men have been indicted by the federal grand jury at Fort Scott, Kas., for burning two young Indians, Sampson and McKinley, the latter the murder of Mrs. Laird, to which crime Hargo, a young full-blooded Seneca Indian, was confessed.

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