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MORE SPANISH TROOPS REINFORCE THE CITY.

Starvation There Staring the People in the Face—The Health of the American Army Excellent. Cubans in Good Trim.

Copyrighted, 1895, by the Associated Press. At the front on Rio Guayama, Second Crossing, June 28, 4 p. m., per Associated Press dispatch boat "Dauntless," via Port Antonio, and Kingston, Jamaica, June 29.—Preparations for the general advance of American troops on Santiago is being pushed steadily forward, and the troops and all branches of the service are being hurried to the front. General Kent's division, consisting of the brigades of General Hawkins, Colonel Pearson and Colonel Worth, has joined General Lawton's division, and with the cavalry division of General Wheeler, four batteries of light artillery, will now be strung out in the rear of General Lawton's division. The front still rests on the second crossing of Rio Guayama river road to Santiago, in the rear of the crest of Sevilla hills, and a mile and a half back. The brigade of General Bates, the Thirty-second Michigan regiment and a battalion of the Thirty-fourth Michigan regiment, which were landed Monday by the auxiliary cruiser Yale, will remain at Juraguas or Siboney.

General Lawton's brigade rests on the road to Santiago de Cuba. The Third brigade, under General Chaffee, the Seventeenth, Twelfth and Seventh regiments, hold the trench with his command lying across the road and river.

The First brigade—the Eighth, Twenty-second and Second Massachusetts—under General Evan Clarke, lies on the left bank, slightly in the rear, and the Second brigade—the First, Fourth and Twenty-fifth—occupies the opposite position on the right flank.

General Wheeler, with the cavalry, is in the rear between the Sevilla hills and the Rio Guayama.

A strong line of outposts is maintained. General Chaffee's brigade with 2000 Cubans under General Aguirre, and several hundred under Colonel Gonzales, was skirmishing towards the city.

The Cubans had several slight skirmishes with the Spaniards stationed on the hills on the American right flank, and our auxiliaries occupied the block houses in that vicinity which were evacuated before daybreak by the Spaniards. The latter retreated towards the hills of Juraguas.

General Lawton's division, which was repositioned on the morning of the 29th, has very good maps of the defenses of the city.

Information has been obtained from Spanish pacificos who have slipped out of the city and given themselves up. They report great distress in Santiago. They say the Spanish troops are on short rations and that all supplies are being held for their use.

The sick in the hospital, the pacificos say, are suffering from lack of food, and they also report that 77 Spaniards were killed and that 87 were wounded as the result of the engagement on Friday with Colonel Young's and Colonel Wood's commands.

The most startling information obtained from the pacificos is that since the advance began almost 20,000 Spanish soldiers have arrived at Santiago de Cuba. This statement is made on the authority of General Lawton, and he is also of the opinion that General Pando may be able to effect a junction with General Linares at Santiago de Cuba. There are two forts of considerable importance within the Spanish lines, Punta Blanco, at the southern end of the bay, and Santa Ursula, at the southeast corner.

On the road to Caney on the north is a fort. There are about 450 men in each of these fortifications and stretching around the whole city are nine barbed-wire fences, five yards apart while just inside these are lines of rifle pits. Outside, to the eastward, about two miles beyond the American outposts, is a line of entrenchments extending from the northern extremity of the city to Morro castle.

A little west of south, at a distance of about seven miles from General Lawton's headquarters lies Morro castle. The road to within 100 yards of the batteries was reconnoitered by General Chaffee and staff recently.

The Cubans believe if food can be cut off, Santiago must yield. They say Cervantes' entire fleet except the torpedo boat destroyer Terror, is in the harbor. No aggressive move by the Americans is anticipated for several days. The road to the base of supplies must be greatly improved before the onward movement can be safely made.

At present it taxes the quartermaster's department to the utmost to get provisions and ammunition.

General Garcia, with 300 men, who landed yesterday, is expected to reach the front today. The Americans are in

excellent spirits, and they are remarking on the fact that the water supply has been good, and there have been no bad effects from the changes except a few cases of dysentery.

At noon today Mr. Coolidge received orders to clear the road beyond the front, where the stream doubles back across it, for the advance of artillery. A dynamite gun and a Hotchkiss gun will be put in position.

General Wheeler, who made a reconnoissance of the land, was unable to secure a view of the city as anticipated, and was compelled to climb a tree. A major general of the United States army in the forks of a tree surveying the Spanish outposts through his field glasses was a spectacle that gave some idea of the wonderful energy of the dashing ex-Confederate cavalry commander. This act of agility in a man 62 years of age, put to blush many a younger officer of his own staff.

ALMOST READY TO ENTER SANTIAGO CITY.

Men Are Near the City in Fighting Trim, but a Scarcity of Provisions Prevails.

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CAN TAKE IT IN TWO DAYS.

That is the Time, It is Said, After Says He Can Take the City. Washington, June 29.—General Lawton has reported to General Sherman that he can take Santiago in two days, but he indicates that considerable loss might be incurred in the approach of Spanish reinforcements, and it is believed here that he intends to take the town immediately, and news of a battle might be expected at any time.

EIGHT THOUSAND DONS.

They Are Within Fifty Miles of Santiago to Help Hold the Place. Washington, June 29.—General Shafter has reported to the war department that Spanish troops, numbering 8000 with pack trains and cattle, are advancing from Manzanillo and are within 50 miles of Santiago.

BROOKE'S MEN JUBILANT.

They Rejoice Over the Report That He is to Retain Porto Rico. Chickamauga, June 29.—There is great satisfaction felt here among the troops over the report that Major Gen-



MAJOR GENERAL BROOKE.

eral Brooke will be appointed military governor of Porto Rico.

None of the Wounded Dead.

Washington, June 29.—General Shafter reports the health of his army remarkably good. None of the injured in the battle of La Quasina have died. Sick less than 100. The graves of the dead are marked so as to make identification sure.

Shafter Acknowledges Thanks.

Washington, June 29.—The war department gives out the following cable correspondence: "War Department, Washington, June 29.—Major General Shafter, commanding, etc: The president directs me to send his thanks to you and your army for gallant action yesterday, which I gladly do.

R. A. ALGER, "Secretary of War." "Balquidri, Cuba, June 28.—Honorable Secretary of War Washington: Sincere thanks to the president for his congratulations. Major General."

SPAIN WILL GET A TASTE OF WAR.

What is Expected of Commodore Watson's Fleet When it Crosses the Atlantic.

Washington, June 29.—The war and navy departments display significant evidence of the aggressive efforts to be immediately exerted against Spain, growing out of the decision reached by the administration that a termination of the war can only be secured by bringing home discomforts as well as the horrors of conflict to the greatest number of Spanish subjects in the shortest time. The wide extension of the Cuban blockade; the announced intention of hurrying 25,000 additional soldiers into Cuba; the proclaimed closure of San Juan de Porto Rico, together with the decision to dispatch Commodore Watson's fleet to European waters, gave a new impetus to the energy displayed at the military and naval headquarters, resulting in rush and bustle which had not been equalled since the week in April that was made historical by the president's ultimatum, the proclamation of the Cuban blockade, the first call for volunteers and the actual beginning of hostilities.

The naval authorities are manifesting the liveliest anxiety to expedite the departure of Commodore Watson's raiding squadron from Santiago, and urgent dispatches were sent to Admiral Sampson to have the Iowa and Oregon fully coaled and equipped to report for their new duty before the end of the present week. By that time the fleet—the auxiliary cruisers Yankee, Dixie and Yosemite and the three colliers, Scandia, Alexander and Abreuda, will probably assemble north of Porto Rico, when the straight course for the Canaries will be pursued. The naval refrigerator ship Supply, loaded with fresh meat and vegetables, will immediately set out for the rendezvous in order that the sailors of the fleet may be well fed on their long trans-Atlantic voyage.

The department is also arranging to start several fast colliers across the ocean to meet the fleet in the vicinity of Gibraltar about the middle of July. It is considered conclusive that the main object of the squadron is to inflict punishment on the important city of Cadix, beginning with the bombardment of its chain of forts at sunrise some morning by the Iowa and the Oregon and the destruction of parts of the city by shelling after 24 hours notice has been given, the idea being, by the creation of enormous material damage, to shake Spain the first time since the Spanish-United States war.

As the city of Cadix is strategically near located, from an American point of view, for operations of this character, its chief public buildings and valuable naval establishments being easily within range of the guns of the two United States battleships and those of the Newark. The auxiliary cruisers Yankee, Dixie and Yosemite are relied on in this engagement to prevent torpedo boats from approaching too near the battleships, and this work they may be assisted in the rapid fire guns already mounted on the colliers.

EAGER TO LEAVE MANILA.

Spain There Offer Large Sum of Money for Transportation. Port Townsend, Wash., June 29.—According to advices brought from Japan by the steamship Columbia, considerable indignation prevails among American sailors and officers at Manila over the treatment of the captain of the Spanish gunboat Caliao, which sailed into Manila bay about a week after the battle and was captured by Dewey's fleet. The Spaniards claimed he showed cowardice in not returning the fire of the Americans. After giving him a Spanish courtmartial he was sentenced to be shot, but Commodore Dewey came to his rescue and took him under the protection of the American government.

Hundreds of people of Manila are using every effort to leave, and are offering \$500 to \$600 for transportation. As the time draws near for the arrival of the American soldiers, they are becoming more restless. Another source of anxiety in case of the bombardment of Manila, is what the Spaniards will do with the women and children, as they cannot be sent to the interior, as they would become the prey of rebels. It is stated that an appeal will be made to the British consul to make arrangements for their removal in case of bombardment.

Since leaving Mirs bay on April 27, the American fleet has been unable to obtain fresh provisions, and the men have been living on salt fare. Notwithstanding this, there is no sickness among the crews and all are patiently awaiting orders to take possession of Manila. The Spanish soldiers say they are anxious to meet the American troops in battle. They are well armed with Mauser rifles.

Hobson and His Men Thanked.

Washington, June 29.—The senate passed a resolution extending the thanks of congress to Naval Constructor Hobson, but with an amendment which included the names of his crew. This is the first time congress has ever recognized men below commissioned officers.

The Pope Affected.

Rome, June 29.—The pope is said to be really affected by the course of the Hispano-American war and in view of his age and nervous prostration for some time past his associates are anxious although his physicians declare there is no cause for alarm.

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