

SIGSBEE TAKES COMMAND

Will Fight the St. Paul Against the Spanish Assassins.

TARS SPOILING FOR A FIGHT

The Officers and Crew of the San Francisco Anxiously Awaiting Orders to Begin Hostilities.

New York, April 17.—Captain Charles D. Sigsbee, U. S. N., who commanded the Maine when she was blown up in Havana harbor, boarded the American liner St. Paul at 8 o'clock this morning at her pier in this city, to take her to Philadelphia, where she will be made over into an auxiliary cruiser.

The St. Paul had been ready for three hours and no time was lost in getting her out into the channel and starting her down stream. Captain Jamison said that he would hurry to Philadelphia as speedily as the St. Paul's engines could carry her.

The St. Paul was manned by her own crew of 250 strong, who will decide after they reach Philadelphia whether or not they wish to become members of the United States naval force.

In Philadelphia Captain Sigsbee will be met by Lieutenant Commander Driggs and Knight Chivers, who were with him on the Maine. These are the only officers, Captain Sigsbee said, who served on the Maine who have been assigned to the St. Paul.

"I want all of them I can get," said Captain Sigsbee, "and shall do my best to induce them to stay by me."

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This Week There Will Be a Perfect Carnival of Bargains at King's Palace.

The whole store teems with big values. Every department has its special bargains for today. We are anxious not only to maintain our rank of the biggest value-givers in town, but to outdo our own previous splendid record.

In Millinery We Have Been Leaders for Forty Years

—Leaders in quantity, quality, and prices. Year after year we have carefully studied the business and trained our milliners in the best schools. We send them to the world's fashion centers to copy and improve upon the best models. We spare no expense to provide our customers with the best obtainable at the lowest prices.

Millinery Department.

This is the greatest and best Millinery achievement of the Spring of '98, and you'll agree with us when you see this wonderful aggregation.

700 Fancy Hats, worth from \$1.50 to \$2.50, at 79c.

Our buyer has just returned from New York, and has succeeded in closing out one of the largest manufacturers' entire stock of fancy hats, all made on wire frames.

3,500 Hats, worth from 87c to \$1.25, at 45c.

Choice of this lot of ladies', misses' and children's plain and fancy straw untrimmed hats, some with fancy straw edges.

A Great Leghorn Hat Bargain, \$1 and \$1.25 Leghorn Flats, 66c.

Excellent quality genuine imported Leghorn Flats, for ladies, misses and children—small, medium and large brims.

Special Trimmed Hat Offer. \$5 to \$7 Trimmed Hats, \$3.98.

In all the latest colors and black, made and trimmed in the latest style and effects. These are not the ordinary straw trimmed, but made on frames, chiffon and Mousseline effects.

Flowers.

Dame Nature is almost overruled in this marvelous display of beautiful flowers, and the prices tell the story.

Another fresh lot of Imported Sample Flowers in blossoms, clusters, ragged robins, apple blossom, and roses.

10,000 Yards Fancy Ribbon at 3/8c yard.

One lot of Fancy Ribbon, 4 to 4 1/2 inches wide, Roman Stripes, Plaids and Checks, all the latest colors.

KING'S PALACE—New Department Store, 812-814 Seventh Street, 715 Market Space.

TELEGRAM POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY.

91 N. King St. Philadelphia Pa. 39 Park St. New York N.Y. 12. Kings Palace 812 to 14 7th St. N.W. Washington D.C.

Nov. closed out Hosiery & Bedding—Entire stock fine silk waists worth from \$5 to \$10.00. Men's Underwear at 3/8c. Street-walk value. Terms long.

These beautiful waists are now on sale. They consist of all the latest and most fashionable effects and styles of this season's production.

\$5.00 to \$10.00 for \$3.75.

\$20 All-silk Lined Suits \$9.48.

This is truly a magnificent lot of goods. The most stylish tailor-made suits in chevot, serges, and ladies' cloth, in black and all the latest shades.

\$12 and \$15 Suits for \$6.98.

Fine tailor-made Spring Suits—stylish Chevot Serges—in blue and black—with 21-inch refter jackets, handsomely lined with silk—and skirts made in the latest fan style.

\$7.50 Broadcated Silk Skirts, \$4.48. Excellent quality Black Broadcated Silk Skirts, in medium and large figures.

Wrappers and Waists. \$1.68 Wrappers, 89c. Another lot of ladies' fine percale wrappers, which are worth from \$1.25 to \$1.68—stylishly braided and ruffled—in neck, effects—and all the latest shades.

68c Waists, 25c. We have just received another shipment of those popular selling shirt waists—in neck, effects—and all the latest shades.

75c Waists, 39c. Another lot of ladies' fine percale shirt waists—in all the latest shades—effects—and all the latest shades.

89c Wrappers, 68c. A lot of Ladies' Fine Percale Wrappers, braided and ruffled—trimmed—with lined waists and very carefully finished—skirts full 2 1/2 yards wide—in navy, black, lavender and red—the regular 68c garments—just today for 68 cents.

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Our White Goods Department.

Our latest venture, and we are determined to have the whole town talking about it. If you can duplicate these prices we'll give up.

12 1/2 to 25c Lawns and India Linens, 6c. 10,000 yards Lion Lawns and India Linens. These are manufacturers' short lengths, and are positively worth from 12 1/2 to 25c a yard. For Monday.

12 1/2c Percales, 7 1/2c. 9,600 yards of Sea Island Percales. These, too, are manufacturers' short lengths, and are positively worth from 12 1/2 to 25c a yard. For Monday.

25 pieces Striped, Plaid, and Checked Mullin, suitable for children's aprons and dresses. 20 pieces Curian Serim, 28 inches wide, plain white and fancy stripes, newest designs, 10 inches wide, splendid value. For Monday.

25 dozen Bleached Cotton Bed Sheets, with wide hem, good material and well sewed. Monday's prices: 63x90 72x90 81x90. 35c 35c 45c. This is at least half regular value.

Notion Department. 4c yard Whalebone Casings, silk stitched, all colors. 10c the piece. Whalebone Casings, all colors. 10c a dozen, white, gray, and black covered. 2c Hairpins in packages for 10c. 1c Safety Pins, all sizes. 1c Rubber Dress Buttons, 1c. 1c Kleinert's Rubber Dress Shields, 1c pair.

200 dozen Ladies' Bleached Ribbed, Short Sleeves, Low Neck Vests, with ribbons drawn around neck. Bought to sell at 12 1/2c each, will offer them on Monday at 5c.

25c Hair Cloth, guaranteed the real and full weight. Dressmakers will appreciate this offering. For Monday. 15c Hair Cloth, guaranteed the real and full weight. Dressmakers will appreciate this offering. For Monday.

15c Black and Colored Silks, including all the high shades and fancy colored cambrics, suitable for interlinings for white dresses. For Monday.

Housefurnishings.

We are determined to set this popular department upon a rock of security. We shall not be undersold anywhere, and every item in this department will be guaranteed just as represented.

4 1/2 QUART GRANITE IRON, DEEP STEW PANS. 3 1/2-quart Granite Iron Tea Kettles. 10-quart Granite Iron Dishpans. Granite Iron Bread Pans. 2-quart Granite Iron Farina Boilers. Granite Iron Boiling Cans. Granite Iron Wash Tubs. 4-quart Granite IRON COFFEE OR TEA POT. Large-size Tin Wash Basins. Best quality Tin. Heavy Tin Hair Brushes. Tin Pie Plates. Galvanized Iron Wash Tubs. Galvanized Iron Wash Tubs.

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ANOTHER BRIDGE JUMPER

A Washington Man Leaps From the Brooklyn Bridge.

Will Survive His Injuries. The Would-Be Suicide Supposed to Be Younger Brother of the Leader of the Greek Colony in This City—Over Four Hundred Dollars Found on the Jumper.

New York, April 17.—Rochelle Demetro jumped from the middle span of the Brooklyn Bridge into the river early this morning. It is very improbable that his injuries will prove fatal.

At a few minutes before 6 o'clock the tug Bella McWilliams was on her way to her pier. Michael Shannon, the first mate, was on deck, and looking aloft as the boat approached the bridge, he saw the Russian ready to make a leap into the water, nearly 200 feet high.

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When it became known that the man had this money George W. Arnold, of No. 115 West One Hundred and Thirty-Third Street, informed the police that there was a possibility that the money belonged to him.

The man, when laid out on the deck, moaned and wriggled. At the dock a policeman was summoned.

At the hospital the doctors said that Demetro was suffering from shock and general contusions. So far as they could tell there was no serious injury, and the man would recover.

That poverty is not the cause of his

PRESENT BASES OF OPERATION.

TAMPA. INFANTRY. Fourth Regiment, ten companies. Fifth Regiment, ten companies. Sixth Regiment, ten companies.

NEW ORLEANS. INFANTRY. First Regiment, eight companies. Second Regiment, eight companies. Third Regiment, eight companies. Fourth Regiment, eight companies. Fifth Regiment, eight companies. Sixth Regiment, eight companies. Seventh Regiment, eight companies. Eighth Regiment, eight companies. Ninth Regiment, eight companies. Tenth Regiment, eight companies. Eleventh Regiment, eight companies.

CHICKAMAUGA. LIGHT ARTILLERY. First Artillery, Batteries E and K. Second Artillery, Batteries A and P. Third Artillery, Batteries C and F.

CAVALRY. Sixth Cavalry, nine troops. Ninth Cavalry, ten troops. Tenth Cavalry, ten troops.

INFANTRY. Twenty-fifth Regiment, Col. A. S. But commanding.

bridge jumping was sufficiently attested when his clothing was examined. The first search brought to light only 33 cents, but when his clothes were taken off there was found wrapped up in a bit of newspaper \$411. The money found on the man was mostly in \$20 bills.

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THE MOSQUITO FLEET.

It is Expected to Make a Place in History. "Mosquito fleet" is not a new designation in the Navy. Before long it will be a famous name and will get a place in history and a place in the public heart as distinct as the "tin-clad" of the civil war that ruled the rivers.

The United States is short of torpedo boats now, except for craft now building and utterly without torpedo-boat catchers. The mission of the mosquito fleet is to take the place of the torpedo-boat catchers to guard the great battle-ships and patrol the vicinity of the enemy's fleets.

Only a few days ago it was decided to give the coast with the mosquito fleet. "Mosquito districts" were established, each with a commander and headquarters, along the Atlantic seaboard.

The mosquitoes will be the scouts and pickets along the whole coast line, hurrying to the nearest port to give warning that the flying squadron or other vessels may hasten to intercept the foray of a Spanish squadron or privateer. It will be the business of the scouts to advance upon and examine every suspicious trail of smoke on the horizon.

When war actually begins Commander Horace Elmer, assigned to command the mosquito fleet, will have all the revenue cutters, light-house tenders, coast survey and Fish Commission vessels, fit for such service, and the converted tugs and yachts now being fitted out—a veritable armada.

The mosquito fleet will be a swarm of little gray tugs and little gray yachts with bowsprits and masts stubbed off like the crooked ears of bull terriers. Thirteen of them have been fitted out at the Brooklyn navy yard, all named as Indians and fighting birds and insects.

The Scorpion is Mr. Borden's yacht, plated and painted and cropped of finery until he wouldn't know her, and the ugly, active Wasp was the beautiful New York yacht Columbia. The tugs did not get any armor, only a complete disguise of gray war paint and a rapid-fire gun forward and a machine gun aft and twelve bravo men. The yachts got armor and six-ouder and sixty bravo men.

The Tugs Are Bulldogs. While the mosquito yachts are able to intercept the enemy with a withering fire, the war tugs are relied upon to throw themselves in front of the enemy or run him down. There is nothing about

as stanch as a New York tug, and the Navy officers say no Spanish torpedo boat or torpedo boat catcher could survive a collision with a tug. While the yachts and tugs can't catch the enemy, their mission is thus like the bull terrier, who can't pursue the fox or the wolf, but when the fox or wolf advances to the onset, are wondrous at meeting him.

With light out, gray and silent, the mosquitoes will be a menace from the battle-ships at anchor off Havana. Meanwhile the rays of the search lights may not reveal the approaching foe. But the men on board the mosquitoes hear a churning of water in the darkness. Instantly the mosquito catches, sending up a red light, which warns the fleet and reveals the enemy. As the search lights swing to the spot of red light and the distant crews go to the great guns, perhaps the enemy attempts to launch the torpedo. Then it is a moment when glory and death appear side by side, for, with the bells tinkling for full speed, head on, the mosquito rams the foe and the crew of the foe see, in the blaze of their search lights, the brief and thrilling grapple; perhaps the mosquito receives the torpedo, and then, amid distant shouts, friend and foe ascend in one terrific gyration.

The battleship is saved and the mosquito has won a place in history!

FINANCIAL.

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American Security and Trust Co. Money to Loan. This company has money to loan on listed collateral securities at low rates.

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Cures Catarrh. All druggists sell it.