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MILES ARRIVES AT SANTIAGO.

He Holds a Conference With Sampson and Telephones to Shafter

SHAFTER WILL RETAIN COMMAND.

General Miles Has No Intention of Taking Any of the Honors Gained From General Shafter.

NO NEWS OF THE FIGHT AT THE CAPITAL.

Premier Sagasta Has Tendered His Resignation to the Queen Regent of Spain—More Peace Rumors Are Afloat.

Washington, July 12.—General Nelson A. Miles, commanding the United States army, arrived off Santiago bay shortly after noon yesterday. Upon the arrival of auxiliary cruiser Yale, on which General Miles was a passenger, communication was opened with Admiral Sampson, and the two commanders were soon in conference.

During the early afternoon General Miles landed at Play del Edo and communicated with General Shafter, commanding the American forces before Santiago, by telephone. What the nature of the result of the consultations was is not disclosed at the war department, but General Miles was doubtless placed in possession of all salient points of the situation from the view of both the army and navy.

It is understood to have been General Miles' purpose to proceed immediately to Shafter's headquarters at Siboney and after discussing with Shafter the latter's plan of campaign to make a personal examination of the American position. It is not to be understood that General Miles is to supersede General Shafter in command of the United States forces before Santiago.

General Shafter is operating there under written instructions from the secretary of war approved by the president, and as long as he is able physically to direct the troops he will retain his command. A prominent official of the war department said late last night that neither administration nor General Miles had any desire to detract an iota from the credit due General Shafter for the plans by which he hopes to achieve a victory at Santiago. The Yale has on



GENERAL NELSON A. MILES.

board the Sixth Massachusetts and one of the regiments of General Garretson's brigade.

The Columbia, which left Charleston with the Yale, has not so far as can be learned, arrived off Santiago.

Up to midnight last night no news from either the army or navy at Santiago had reached the departments so far as the public was informed. Both Secretaries Long and Alger were at the White House during the evening, but returned to their residences early and gave no outward sign of anxiety or expectation of startling news. The arrival of General Miles and the conference between him and the commanding officers of the army and navy is taken by some to indicate if fighting occurred yesterday it was not of a serious character. It is thought that possibly the arrival of General Miles caused a suspension of active operations in order that the entire situation might be discussed. But this view of the situation is speculative and without definite basis.

Naval officials say that a serious irregularity occurred at the time the ships

of Cervena's fleet hauled down their colors and surrendered. Inquiries have brought out the fact that the breech blocks of the guns were thrown overboard, thus disabling the guns and making them practically worthless, and the valves by which the ship flooded were opened after the surrender, when under the rules of warfare the enemy had ceased firing and had asked quarter. It is said that further destruction to the ships at such a time was both wanton and dishonorable, and that if those responsible are located they are likely to be held accountable.

The department has not yet received the report of the court of inquiry showing in detail the injuries to these ships and the possibilities of salvage. The press reports of the board's findings, saying that only the Maria Teresa could be saved excited much surprise, as it was confidently expected that the Colon could also be saved in whole or in part. The officials are still hopeful that the full report of the board will show that there is a chance of saving the Colon.

SAGASTA TENDERS HIS RESIGNATION.

He Advises the Queen Regent to Appoint a New Cabinet Out of the Military Element.

London, July 12.—The Madrid correspondent of The Times telegraphing Monday says:

Senor Sagasta went to the palace today and tendered his resignation and that of the cabinet. It is said that he advised the queen regent to appoint a new cabinet, largely consisting of the military element, which would not necessarily mean the adoption of a warlike policy, but probably the reverse.



SEÑOR SAGASTA.

It is generally expected that the resignation will be accepted, but the result may possibly be merely a partial reconstruction of the cabinet. The ministers are now in council, and Senor Sagasta has doubtless communicated to them an account of his audience with the queen regent.

Queen Regent Wants Peace.
London, July 12.—The Berlin correspondent of The Standard says: The queen regent is willing to open peace negotiations with the United States without any mediation of the powers, provided the conditions are not too severe. Her ultimatum concession at present is a declaration of the independence of Cuba.

Reported Conditions of Peace.
Madrid, July 11.—It is asserted that the United States makes the following demands as conditions of peace:
1. The possession of Cuba and Porto Rico, with a port in the Canaries.
2. An indemnity of \$48,000,000, about \$240,000,000.
3. The retention of the Philippines as a guarantee of the payment of the indemnity.

These terms are regarded as impossible.

Shafter's Available Force.
Washington, July 12.—General Shafter's available force, after counting all reinforcements, and deducting the dead, sick and wounded, is 22,850 fighting men, according to military estimates.

Hawaiian Islands.
Washington, July 12.—Secretary Alger has issued orders attaching the Hawaiian islands to the military department of California. The first New York volunteers, Colonel Barber commanding will be assigned for the time being at the garrison at Honolulu.

Will Join General Miles.
Charleston, July 12.—General Collazo of General Garcia's staff has arrived here from Tampa and sails on the next transport to join General Miles.

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Rear Admiral Ammen Dead.

Washington, July 12.—Rear Admiral Ammen one of the heroes of the civil war, died at the naval hospital here late Monday, aged 78. He was an Ohioan. At the reduction of Port Royal in 1861 he held the forts until the army took possession.

No Hope For the Doomed Men.

Cleveland, July 12.—While work is being pushed forward as rapidly as possible toward reaching the scene of Monday night's explosion, there seems to be little prospect that any of the 11 workmen who were in the tunnel when the explosion occurred will be found alive. J. W. Reynolds, superintending the construction of the tunnel, states there is no hope of rescuing the men alive.

Fatal Fall From a Horse.

Guthrie, O. T., July 12.—Edward Whitley, aged 21, was thrown from a horse near Langston and fatally injured.



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