

TWO CENTS.

SCRANTON, PA., THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 23, 1898.

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INVASION OF CUBA IS ACCOMPLISHED

United States Troops Have Landed at Several Points—Preparations to Attack Santiago from the Side and Rear. The Commanders of Army and Navy Not Tied by Orders from Washington—Insurgents Will Take an Active Part in the Attack.

Washington, June 22.—Today, just a week after the United States troops left Tortugas, they began to disembark on Cuban soil, landing in formation at the two points, so as to attack Santiago from the rear and at the sides with the navy to help the work in front. This, the military invasion of Cuba, may be said to have fairly begun, for though the United States marines were the first of the regular forces to land upon Cuban soil, their purpose after all was not invasion, but the establishment of a naval base and a base for a cable station, in both of which they were eminently successful. To the regular troops was left the beginning of the formidable task of invading Cuba in force by land. Just at the close of office hours a brief cablegram came to the war department from Lieutenant-Colonel Allen. It has been expected all day. To the surprise of the officials, the cablegram was dated not at Guantanamo, but at a place called Playa del Este, about twenty miles west of Guantanamo bay and about half the distance between that and Santiago bay. Its exact wording is withheld, but the statement was authorized that it said the troops were landing and that preparations had been made to attack Santiago at the side and rear.

The delay in receiving further cable communications after the first of last evening is thus explained: The lines were being carried westward, probably to be nearer the point selected as the landing place in Cuba. In his despatch Lieutenant-Colonel Allen said that he had heard nothing official from either General Shafter nor Admiral Sampson. This is accounted for readily by his instructions—he was told specifically by General Miles in a cablegram sent yesterday not to embarrass General Shafter by any unnecessary suggestions.

NO UNNECESSARY ORDERS. This, it will be seen, to the delight of all true soldiers, the General Shafter, like Admiral Sampson, is not to be tied by exact orders from Washington, but is to be allowed the widest liberty of action in the belief that he, being on the ground, is capable of judging best the propriety of projected movements. The Lieutenant-colonel, however, who is a member of General Miles' staff and directly in charge of the signal work in Santiago province, communicated briefly with General Miles in cipher the fact that the debarkation of the troops and that a plan of attack had been arranged.

The reinforcement of General Shafter actually began today in the departure of a regiment and a battalion of the troops at Camp Alger for Santiago. They go to Newport News, and then by steamer direct to Santiago. If the expectations of the projectors of this movement are realized these troops are likely to occupy actually less time in the passage than did the first contingent which left Tampa directly, notwithstanding the distance is twice as long. Formal orders were issued placing General Guy V. Henry in charge of the new division of troops composed of Duffield's and Garrison's brigades, which are to form part of the new division. Probably some of the troops now at Tampa will be detached also, in which case they will be dispatched in separate transports. General Henry is one of the most noted cavalry leaders in the army, possibly in the world.

GARCIA TO ATTACK THE REAR. It is evident from the nature of General Miles' advice that in addition to the troops now landing as it is supposed not far from Playa del Este, on the east side of Santiago bay, the second landing is going on at a point just about the same distance west of the harbor entrance. The two divisions probably will be pushed forward steadily to take the town of Santiago on either flank, while Garcia and Rabbi's insurgents may be left the task of bringing on the attack in the rear. The distance on the west side is slightly greater than on the east, but it probably is not greater by either route than fifteen or eighteen miles. The country is mountainous, but there is no reason to believe it may not be traversed by the United States troops within a week even if it should be necessary to construct entrenchments and abatis every few miles in order to beat back the Spaniards. With the beginning of the military movement, the navy will draw close in shore to pound away at the forts at the entrance and to draw the cordon of warships so closely around the mouth as to make it impossible for Cervera's vessels to escape, even if they are disposed to take the most desperate chances.

News has reached here that 12,000 tons of coal is being loaded on ships at Valparaiso, Chili. As coal is worth about \$15 a ton there the purchase excites great curiosity here and it has been suspected that it was being made on Spanish account. If this should prove true, and the fact will soon be known, it would seem to indicate a purpose on the part of the Spanish naval commander, Canales, to carry that celebrated Cadiz fleet around into the Pacific and use these coilers to

CONGRESS PROCEEDINGS.

An Uneventful Day in the House and Senate.

Washington, June 22.—Opponents of the annexation of Hawaii again occupied the attention of the senate today. Mr. White (Dem., Cal.) resumed his speech begun yesterday, but after speaking two hours, yielded the floor to Mr. Pettibrew (R. D.), who discussed the resolutions for an hour and a half. Mr. White had not concluded his speech, Mr. Pettibrew taking up the argument against the resolutions merely to afford him an opportunity to reply.

The conference report on the Indian Appropriation bill was presented to the senate and read, but no effort was made to dispose of it. It was sharply criticized, however, and the indications are that its adoption will be contested because of the elimination of the senate free homestead amendment and the acknowledgment of the right in certain circumstances and conditions of Indians to lease mineral lands.

NO BOAT RACE.

Thousands of Spectators at New London Were Disappointed by the Rain.

New London, Conn., June 22.—A more uneventful day in the annals of boat racing on the Thames has never been recorded than that which the three university crews, Cornell, Yale and Harvard, and the thousands of would-be spectators experienced today. Three times the referee concluded to start the races and each time the weather conditions prevented until at last, just before sunset, after the rain had fallen in torrents all afternoon, Mr. McKelham was obliged to put it over until tomorrow at half-past 12 o'clock.

The early morning gave the very best promise that the races would be almost ideal on the river, but about 1:30 o'clock a brisk wind arose and clouds became threatening. At 2:30 a postponement was announced until 3:15, but about 3 o'clock the rain came down and a further postponement until 7 o'clock was decided upon. At that hour the rain still continuing, the postponement until tomorrow was announced.

In the early part of the afternoon the observation train, with forty well-laden cars filled, mostly with ladies in the finest of summer frocks, stood for fifteen or twenty minutes in the drenching rain with the occupants having no other protection than a thin canvas covering over the top. Two-thirds and probably more of those on the train were completely soaked with rain before the train at last pulled back into the station, five miles distant, and the crowd scattered for shelter and dry clothing.

FRIENDSHIP FOR ENGLAND.

It Secured Suspension of Sentence in Case of Henry White.

Wilkes-Barre, June 22.—The friendly feeling existing between the United States and England was shown in court today when Henry White, a typical Englishman convicted of forgery, was called before Judge Woodward for sentence. District Attorney Martin made a strong plea in his behalf. He said the man had committed the crime while intoxicated and the money had been returned.

SPANISH PRISONERS.

Non-Combatants Will Be Sent Back to Spain.

Washington, June 22.—The attorney general has decided to surrender to the ambassadors of France and Germany as the diplomatic representatives of Spain, the non-combatants and crews of the prize merchant vessels captured by ships of our navy since the declaration of war.

MANHATTAN IN SERVICE.

Will Be Ready for the Naval Reserves in Ten Days.

Philadelphia, June 22.—The old monitor Manhattan was taken out of the League Island dry dock today, her hull having been thoroughly repaired. It is expected she will be ready for the naval reserves within ten days.

LANDING OF THE TROOPS IN CUBA

Official Accounts of the Task Accomplished.

WHILE ADMIRAL SAMPSON'S GUNNERS BOMBARDED CUBANAS, THE PASSENGERS ON THE TRANSPORTS WERE PLACED ON SHORE AT VARIOUS POINTS—LITTLE OR NO RESISTANCE IS MADE BY THE SPANIARDS.

Washington, June 22.—Official dispatches received tonight by both Secretary Alger and Secretary Long indicated that the landing of troops near Santiago was progressing most favorably. The first landing was effected at Daiquiri this morning and met with comparatively slight resistance. This was stated in a dispatch received this evening by Secretary Alger which, though brief, was full of news and meaning. It follows:

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Secretary Alger expressed himself as delighted at the expedition with which the landing of the troops was being effected and with the fact that no serious obstacle was being offered by the enemy. He construed the text of General Shafter's message to mean that the enemy had made merely a nominal and ineffective resistance by firing from the station. There is very little if any resistance. The New Orleans, Detroit, Castine, Wasp and Swallow shelled the vicinity before the landing. We made a demonstration at Cubanias to engage the attention of the enemy. The Texas engaged the west battery for some time, but finally the enemy abandoned the submarine mines have been recovered from the channel of Guantanamo. Communication by telegraph has been established at Guantanamo. (Signed) Sampson.

A GREAT TASK.

In both army and navy circles the information concerning the dispatch of General Shafter and Admiral Sampson were received with intense satisfaction. The landing of so large a body of troops as General Shafter at present has under his command is a task of immense proportions. A prominent official of the war department, in a statement which he made with the Texas before Cubanias, which is just east of Guantanamo, may easily have led the Spaniards to suppose that a general landing was to be attempted in that vicinity. It was evident from the text of Admiral Sampson's despatch that a considerable landing had already been effected near Guantanamo as he noted that communication by telegraph had been re-established at that point and that the channel had been cleared of submarine mines. In the opinion of naval officers the landing at Guantanamo was of marines rather than of land forces.

STILL ANOTHER.

Safe Deposit Building Association of Reading, Goes to the Wall.

Reading, June 22.—The Safe Deposit Building association, ten years old, today made an assignment for the benefit of its creditors to M. S. Bentscher, Centerport; Hamilton Godfrey, Reading; and H. A. Keyser, Mahanoy City. About \$5,000 worth of property was turned over to them. The assignment was made because of the depreciation of property, because so much was thrown on the market on account of troubles among other associations.

THE NEW TROOPS.

Eighteen Companies Will Be Mustered in at Mt. Gretna.

Mount Gretna, Pa., June 22.—The eighteen companies which will be raised from this state to comply with the president's second call for troops, will be mustered in and equipped here. Preparations are going on actively for their reception, and it now looks as though Camp Hastings, which has been a quiet place since the regiments left here, will again become a lively rendezvous during the next few weeks.

CHASING BY AN AMERICAN.

Impression That Spanish Ports Will Be Bombaraded.

Cadiz, June 22.—A vessel which was arrived here reports that she met in the English channel an American vessel, which gave chase. The report leads to the belief that the Americans intend to bombard Spanish ports.

Second Brigade Officers.

Harrisburg, June 22.—Governor Hastings today commissioned the following officers of the Second brigade staff: Judge Advocate, Jacob Jay Miller; ordnance officer, Frank J. Patterson; surgeon, James E. Shillman; quartermaster, F. L. Loefer; inspector, John P. Penney; aides, John Wilson Elder and Thomas J. Keenan, jr.

Pennsylvania Pensions.

Washington, June 22.—Pennsylvania certificates, issue of June 12, 1898, for Pennsylvania: Original—David S. Ross, Wilkes-Barre, \$5; Eli S. Barnes, Sterling, Wayne, \$12; Restoration and increase—Special June 14, Byron C. Camp, Montrose, Susquehanna, \$6 to \$17.

MULE PACKERS AGRIE.

They Raise a Hump and Shoot a Woman Inflicting Serious Wounds.

Tampa, Fla., June 22.—A party of mule packers and rough riders went early this morning to a disreputable house and raised a row. A general fight followed and a woman named Alice May was shot several times by the men and one of the men was shot by one of the inmates of the house. The woman was shot three times. One of the wounds is dangerous and the men are held to await developments. Three mule packers and two rough riders were arrested a few minutes after the shooting. The man who was shot is not seriously injured.

This evening Major Percy, who is in charge of the rough riders, remained here, called at police headquarters. He was told that there was no doubt about the identification of the men and that it would probably go hard with them. The major expressed the hope that this would be the case, believing that the punishment of the culprits would have a good effect upon the troops generally.

MICHIGAN COMBINATION.

Ticket That Will Be Placed Before the Voters.

Grand Rapids, Mich., June 22.—The following combination ticket was nominated today: For governor, ex-Congressman Justice R. Whiting, of St. Clair (Dem.); for lieutenant governor, Michael F. MeDonald, of St. Joseph (Dem.); for secretary of state, L. E. Lockwood, of Coldwater (Pop.); for auditor general, John L. Frisbee, of Hillsdale (R. P.); for state treasurer, Dr. Edgar B. Smith, of Detroit (Dem.); for attorney general, Royal C. Hawley, of Ionia (R. P.); for land commissioner, Carlton Peck, of Lapeer (Pop.); for superintendent of public instruction, Mrs. Florence Renks, of Barry county (R. P.); for member state board of education, George E. Wilbur, of Calhoun county (Pop.).

LYNCHING IN VIRGINIA.

A Murderer at Hillsville Is Hided with Bullets.

Richmond, Va., June 22.—News of a lynching in Hillsville, Carroll county, has just reached here. Some weeks ago a farmer named Howlett had a land dispute with a neighbor by the name of Allen, and shot and killed him. Howlett was arrested and held at Hillsville. Monday morning about 2 o'clock, a mob entered the jail and took possession of Howlett for the purpose of hanging him. Howlett, being a powerful man, resisted desperately until finally the leader of the mob ordered that he be shot.

MERRITT'S EXPEDITION.

The General Will Sail Next Monday.

Six Transports Will Go the 27th. San Francisco, June 22.—It is now practically decided that General Merritt and his staff and headquarters, including a large force of clerks, will take passage on the Newport, with the fleet that is to sail next Monday. The war department has been notified that the third expedition of six transports will sail on Monday, June 27. The remaining expeditionary forces, constituting a division, will be left in command of Major General E. S. Otis and will sail for Manila as soon as the necessary transports can be secured.

KILLED BY A BULL.

Manning R. Sutton Gored to Death an Angry Heast.

unkhannock, Pa., June 22.—Manning R. Sutton, of Springville township, was gored to death by an angry bull which he was leading to water. The bull first thrust him under the chin with his horns, breaking his jaw. Notwithstanding his injury, he tried to get the infuriated beast back to the barn when it again attacked him, mauling him. Mr. Sutton came out and set the dog on the animal, but he did not drive it off until it had put its horns through the man's heart, leaving him dead.

PERSONS DROWNED.

Serious Boating Accident at Saginaw, Mich.

Saginaw, Mich., June 22.—By the capsizing of a boat in which a party of young people were rowing on Flint river at Flushing this afternoon, Chauncey Cook, aged 18; Lulu Loup, 14; Odaline Loup, 16, and Mildred Packard, aged 2 years, were all drowned. Arthur Maxwell, 29 years old, in attempting to rescue the party, was also drowned.

QUEEN REGENT WILL ABDICATE

Madrid Dispatches Prove Beyond a Doubt That the Position of Her Majesty Has Become Untenable and That She Will Resign the Regency Within a Short Period—The American Navy Absorbs the German Seamen.

London, June 22.—The Vienna correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "All the information that reached here from Madrid proves beyond a doubt that the position of the queen regent has become altogether untenable and that her majesty will resign the regency within a very short period. "It may prove feasible to establish a regency council under arrangements for the existing dynasty, but according to present indications, this appears questionable. In well informed quarters here it is believed that the next defeat for the Spaniards will upset the conditions prevailing in Madrid, where the situation is already extremely confused. "The Berlin correspondent of the Standard says: "The queen regent has privately caused those sovereigns who are her relatives to be directly sounded and those whom she regards as friends to be indirectly sounded, as to whether they are willing to mediate, but the stage of diplomatic negotiations has not yet been reached and it is very doubtful whether it will be reached for some time to come. "The semi-official Post hears from Antwerp that persons commissioned by the Washington government to enlist seamen on neutral soil are said to have enlisted more than a thousand German sailors for the American navy and the auxiliary cruisers. This would explain the difficulty German captains have experienced of late in manning their ships."

BLANCO REFUTES MANY RUMORS

The Captain General Explains His Recent Actions.

HAS NOT REFUSED TO EXCHANGE HOBBSON—HAS NOT FORBIDDEN FLAGS OF TRUCE, AND HAS NOT BEEN SHOT—IS POPULAR WITH THE PEOPLE OF HAVANA AND DOES NOT FEAR ASSASSINATION. Havana, June 22.—10.40 a. m.—There is absolutely no foundation for the report published in the United States of an attempt to assassinate Captain General Blanco by a member of the volunteers whose brother, it was alleged, had been shot for complicity in a plot against the government. General Blanco enjoys the esteem of all classes in Havana, including the volunteers, and is regarded with the utmost confidence as the representative of Spanish sovereignty. The Cubans admit that they are under obligations to General Blanco for the establishment of autonomy in the island. The palace guards are from the volunteers, and several officers of that body are aides on the general's staff. General Blanco's public appearances are frequent the occasion of patriotic demonstrations, and that he has no fear of assassination is shown by the fact that he often rides out without escort visiting the fortifications about Havana without the attendance of the usual body guard.

QUEEN REGENT IS PLUCKY.

Christian Has No Intention of Giving Up the Ricketty Spanish Throne.

Madrid, June 22.—The press of this city protest today that there is no foundation for the reports coming from foreign sources that it is the intention of the queen regent to abdicate. It is semi-officially declared that her majesty is determined to unflinchingly carry out the duties of her position. The government has no news of the expected attack on Santiago de Cuba, but entire confidence is felt in the ability of Generals Linera and Parga to meet the emergency. It is reported that great enthusiasm prevails among the troops and citizens of Santiago de Cuba.

SENORA AGUSTI'S FATE.

It Is Feared That She Has Been Killed by Philippine Insurgents.

London, June 22.—Reports from Manila say a special despatch from Shanghaied indicates the existence of fears that Senora Augusti, wife of Captain General Augusti, and her children have been massacred by the rebels in Bulacan. It is thought, according to the advices that this is the reason of the unwillingness of General Aquinaldo, the insurgent leader, to admit a British consul to start to rescue them.

THAT CADIZ FLEET.

Will Not Be Likely to Return to Spain.

London, June 22.—The Gibraltar correspondent of the Daily News says: "No credence need be given to rumors that the Cadiz squadron will return to that port. Admiral Canales could not return without riots at Cadiz and Madrid, particularly as he said at the banquet before his departure he would never return before his flag had been steeped in American blood. You will find that the next move of the squadron will be to the Canaries."

STATE FUNDS SAFE.

Will Not Be Swindled in the People's Bank.

Harrisburg, June 22.—State Treasurer Beacom returned tonight from Philadelphia with a check for \$154,000 in favor of the commonwealth. This represents 90 per cent. of the state funds on deposit in the People's bank at the time of its failure. The remaining 10 per cent. will be paid within ninety days. The money was paid to Mr. Beacom by Receiver Barlow through the generosity of James McManus, president of the bank, who had a personal check for the full amount.

HOUSTON IN JAIL.

He Is Charged with the Murder of His Brother John.

Kos-Barrs, June 22.—Patrick Houston, of Pittston, was lodged in jail here today charged with the murder of his brother John. The dead body of the latter, with a bullet hole in his head, was found on a lonely road at Pittston last Sunday morning. The prisoner claims he is innocent.

Col. Croton Dead.

Washington, June 22.—Colonel R. E. A. Croton, retired, of the army, died here today, aged about 52 years. He was appointed to the army from Delaware at the outbreak of the civil war and was a brave and brilliant officer. Since the war he had been stationed principally in the west. The railroad riots at Chicago occurred during his administration at Fort Sheridan and he took a prominent part in their suppression.

WEATHER FORECAST. Washington, June 22.—Forecast for Thursday: For eastern part of the country, threatening weather with showers; warmer; northernly winds; becoming variable. For western part of the country, partly cloudy weather; warmer; light southerly winds. New York, June 22.—(Herald's forecast)—In the middle states and New England, today, clear and fair; weather will remain, possibly preceded in the morning by rain on the southeast coast of New York; land, with rising temperature and fresh to light northerly and westerly winds.