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**MASSACHUSETTS WILL RESPOND.**

Boston, April 27.—Governor Wolcott received the long expected letter from Secretary of War Alger giving the quota of Massachusetts for the National troops tonight. He immediately replied by wire that Massachusetts would respond with the utmost promptitude and patriotism to the request, and that the War Department would be kept constantly informed of the action taken in compliance with it. Upon the receipt of the telegram, the advisory board of officers was called into session and for seven hours discussed the request of the National government. At midnight the Governor made a statement to the effect that he would probably issue an order tomorrow relative to the state quota.

# MATANZAS BOMBARDED.

## United States Fleet Opened Fire on Fortifications in Cuban Port.

### AT EASTPORT. Flag Ship New York, Monitor Puritan and Cruiser Cincinnati Participated.

**Minneapolis In That Port Last Night.**

**EXPECTED TO SAIL EAST AGAIN TODAY.**

**Officers Very Reticent as to Destination.**

**BELIEVED THEY ARE SIMPLY DOING PATROL DUTY.**

Eastport, Me., April 27.—This is the first harbor into which the cruiser Minneapolis has come since she left Hampton Roads last Saturday. She anchored off Prospect Harbor last night, but proceeded at sunrise. There was considerable excitement here when the cruiser was sighted at noon and crowds gathered at convenient points as she headed up the bay showing that she was going to make port here. At Cross Island, Pilot Lahey was taken aboard and under his charge the cruiser came up opposite the city and dropped anchor just before one o'clock this afternoon. As soon as the anchor of the big ship was let go a flock of small craft put off to the cruiser. The officers of the Minneapolis with great cordiality received the visitors and showed them every attention. To the general inquiry, however, as to the mission of the Minneapolis, the evasive answer was made that she was sailing under sealed orders and that her destination was not known. It was learned, however, from the more communicative of her men that the Minneapolis and Columbia were detached from Commodore Schley's flying squadron at Hampton Roads for the purpose of engaging in a patrol off the New England coast particularly with a view of being near in case incoming shipping should need assistance or protection, and also to be on the lookout for hostile craft.

The officers of the vessel showed no surprise when told of the anxiety felt for the American line steamer Paris and one of them said it would not be strange if Spanish vessels were waiting for her off New Foundland. There seemed to be considerable assurance among the men that they might be ordered farther east, or even to Cape Sable to meet the Paris and escort her to port.

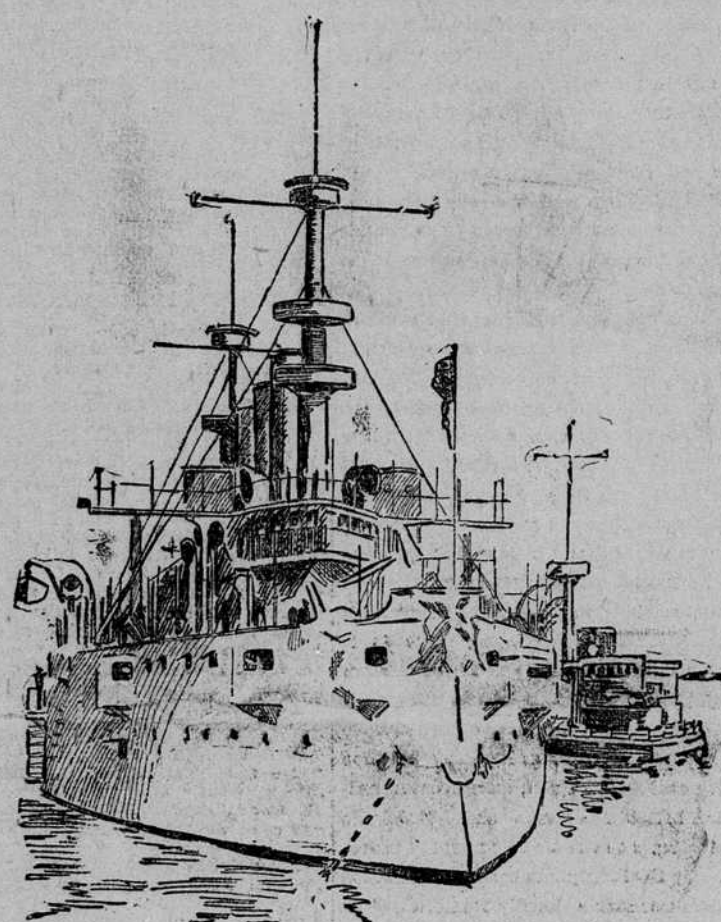
#### MINNEAPOLIS'S MISSION.

St. John, N. B., April 27.—The Associated Press despatch from Eastport announcing the arrival at that place of the cruiser Minneapolis, and her purpose is sailing for Cape Sable, creates considerable interest in this city, as it is believed she is on the lookout for two Spanish steamers due within a few days at this port.

Among the passengers by the Canadian Pacific railroad today was Senator Arturo Baldassano y Topete, late Spanish consul general of New York, who had been in conference with Senator Polo y Bernabe at Toronto. Senator Baldassano left by Royal Mail S. S. Gallia this afternoon for Liverpool, en route to Madrid.

#### LEE CALLED TO WASHINGTON.

Richmond, Va., April 27.—General Fitzhugh Lee has been summoned to Washington and will leave here at noon tomorrow.



Flagship New York and Monitor Puritan as They Lay in Portland Harbor.



Captain Chadwick, of the New York.

### Batteries To Be Removed Immediately to Tampa and Every Evidence That War Has Begun in Earnest.

**Key West, Fla., April 27.—The New York, Puritan and Cincinnati bombarded the forts at Matanzas this afternoon. The engagement began at 12.45 and closed at 1.15. There were no casualties on the American side. Great damage is known to have been done to Matanzas and it is believed there was loss of life.**

#### WAR NEWS SUMMARY.

The cruiser Minneapolis anchored in Eastport harbor last night and will sail today for Cape Sable it is said.

A St. John dispatch says the Minneapolis may be looking for two Spanish steamers expected at that port.

It is not believed at Washington that the Spaniards intend to bombard northern coast cities.

The campaign in Cuba not likely to be in full swing before next fall at end of the rainy season.

Not believed that Spaniards

will make a stand against Commodore Dewey's fleet.

The Spanish war ship Pelayo was cruising about the straits of Gibraltar yesterday.

Orders have been issued to recruit the regular army to its full war strength.

The Asiatic squadron sailed directly for Manila at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Four of the six great powderers have issued neutrality proclamations, the exceptions being Austria and Germany.

The torpedo fleet sailed from Cadiz yesterday to attempt to capture American yachts in the Mediterranean.

#### ARTILLERY CALL.

**Immediate Advance on Havana Contemplated.**

Chickamauga Park, April 27.—Late tonight it was learned on what is considered good authority that orders had been received from Washington for the immediate shipment to Tampa, Fla., of two of the light batteries of artillery now stationed at Chickamauga Park. It is taken to indicate a determination on the part of the United States army officers to co-operate with the insurgents in an immediate advance on Havana. The report has caused considerable excitement.

#### MR. GLADSTONE EASIER.

London, April 27.—Mr. Gladstone, it is announced at Havarden, did not sleep very well last night. But he is resting easier today and is not suffering pain.

#### OUR FLEET THE STRONGER.

**Need Be No Fears of Result in Asiatic Waters.**

New York, April 27.—The United States Asiatic squadron mobilized at Mrs. Bay, China, consists of the flagship Olympia, one of the best cruisers afloat, Captain C. V. Gridley, Rear Admiral George Dewey, commander-in-chief; the cruiser Baltimore, Captain N. M. Dyer, the cruiser Boston, Captain Frank Wildiz; the cruiser Concord, Commander Ass Walker; the cruiser Raleigh, Captain J. B. Coghlan; the gunboat Petrel, Commander E. P. Wood, the despatch boat Hugh McCulloch; the steamer Nanshan, storeship; the steamer Zafiro, collier.

The Spanish fleet at the Philippine Islands may be able to resist the United States fleet for a short time, with the assistance of the guns from the Spanish

forts, but otherwise the American vessels would make very short work of the Spanish squadron, which consists of the following vessels: The cruiser Reina Christina; the cruiser Castilla; the cruiser Velasco; the cruiser Don Juan de Austria; the gunboat Paraguay, the gunboat Ulloa, the gunboat El Cano, the gunboat General Leso, the gunboat Marquez Del Duro, the transport General Alava, the transport Manila, and the transport Cobu.

#### CAPTURES WILL HOLD.

**So Says District Attorney Strippling.**

Key West, Fla., April 27.—Still another prize steamed into the harbor this morning. She was the Ambrosio Bolivar, a little Cuban coasting steamer, taken by the monitor Terror last night off Cardenas. The Bolivar looked like a toy boat as the prize crew brought her in. But the juvenile Spaniard is richer than she looks as was learned when \$70,000 of silver specie was found stowed away in her besides a valuable cargo of bananas and 800 casks of wine.

About the time this capture was made the Norwegian steamer Uta, Captain Bide, from Philadelphia for Cardenas, with 1,200 tons of coal attempted to run the blockade and land her cargo but she was summarily turned back to Key West, where she arrived this afternoon.

The monitor Terror on Sunday took a little prize, news of which was first learned today—a Spanish schooner, the Saco, with a cargo of sugar. Paymaster Sampson and three men were put on board as a prize crew and ordered to bring her here. They had not arrived up to this evening, and it is said the Saco had not been sighted.

No alarm is felt, however, as all the Spaniards but the Captain were taken off the schooner. She may have been delayed by rough weather.

United States Attorney Strippling said tonight that in his opinion the Spanish vessels already captured do not come under the protection of President McKinley's proclamation.

Those vessels, he contends, were captured on the high seas, while bound for or coming from foreign ports, whereas the proclamation covers only vessels in ports.

#### THE QUEEN'S SHAKY THRONE.

Madrid, April 27.—11 p. m.—As a counterpoise to the growing sympathy toward the Carlists among the people since Don Carlos raised a vigorous war note against the United States the Spanish cardinals and prelates are now assembling here to visit the Queen Regent collectively, declaring their adhesion to and support of the reigning dynasty. They will endeavor to convince the people that the Queen Regent has never advocated peace as any price, but thoroughly participates in the enthusiasm of the people to defend the honor and rights of Spain.

This attitude of the prelates will cause a sensation throughout the country, greatly irritating the Carlists. Tonight Madrid is absolutely unmoved. The capture of the American bark Saranac by a Spanish gunboat near Manila caused a momentary excitement, but the town is expected of the result of the action likely to occur off the Philippine and awaits the outcome with perfect confidence.

#### TO TAKE MANILA.

**All Preparations Have Been Made.**

**COMMODORE DEWEY'S FLEET SAILED YESTERDAY.**

**Insurgent Chief Aguinaldo Accompanies Him.**

**CAPITULATION WILL BE DEMAND-ED UPON ARRIVAL.**

London, April 28.—The Hong Kong correspondent of the Daily Mail says:

"United States Consul General Williams, after spending the evening ashore with United States Consul Wildman, accompanied the American squadron. Thirty insurgent leaders here wanted to accompany it but Chief Aguinaldo goes as their representative. He will take charge of the insurgent forces at Manila. Admiral Dewey has issued strict orders that no barbarous or inhuman acts are to be perpetrated by the insurgents.

"The primary object is the capture of the Spanish fleet which Admiral Dewey thinks more important than capturing Manila. He is determined to prevent its preying upon American vessels. On reaching Manila he will demand its capitulation within half an hour of his arrival. His men are in the best of spirits and excellent health. There have been nine desertions, including six Chinamen, one Italian and one German during the fleet's stay at Hong Kong. Every preparation has been made. The ships are cleaned and painted for battle; and the general opinion is that the fight in these matters will result in an easy victory for America. Her ships carry 122 guns as against 97 or thereabout, in the Spanish fleet.

"The co-operation of the American fleet with the rebels has been a strict secret. The latter await the arrival of the fleet, when Manila must soon succumb. Its defenses are in a wretched state. The Americans in the Philippines are anxious

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