

SQUADRON HAS SAILED. It Will Blockade Havana Harbor At Once. TROOPS ARE GATHERING AND WILL MAKE A DECISIVE MOVEMENT UPON CUBA.

The President Will Call For 100,000 Volunteers, 80,000 To Operate In Cuba And 20,000 To Defend The New England Coast—According To The Requirements Of International Law. The United States Has Warned The Powers Of Her Intention To Blockade Havana—Spanish Squadron Heading To Cut Off The Atlantic Ocean.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The North Atlantic squadron has sailed for Havana from Key West.

The decision to send the fleet was reached at the special cabinet meeting yesterday afternoon and was guarded as closely as possible. Hurried orders were despatched to the fleet to establish a blockade of the entrance of the harbor of Havana immediately.

The fleet later on will be supported by troops who will be despatched to Cuba soon, as in the opinion of the president it is possible to use them advantageously in the occupation of the island.

Meanwhile, as rapidly as troops can be rushed to Key West and other points on the south Atlantic and gulf coasts, they will be hurried forward. It is believed that it will take ten days to concentrate at the coast an army of sufficient size with the necessary supplies to make an effective campaign.

It is not supposed to gather these troops and then make a sharp decisive movement. Immediately upon the passage of the army volunteer bill by congress, the president by proclamation will call for 100,000 men.

Of this force it is intended to use 80,000 men in Cuban operations in conjunction with the regular army now already assembled or assembling at points of concentration.

The remaining 20,000 men will aid the artillery detachments in guarding the coast and mining the heavy guns of the coast defenses.

Great difficulty was experienced in learning the details of the operations and secretary Long refused, when even, to admit that orders had been sent to the fleet, but subsequent confirmation was obtained of a rumor that orders had been sent, coupled with the surprising information that the fleet practically had sailed.

With respect to the flying squadron at Hampton Roads no information is as yet obtainable. Minister Woodford's action during yesterday, as reported to the state department in a late telegram, indicated that he was following a carefully prepared programme.

A significant feature of his message was the statement that the Spanish government notified him that it regarded its withdrawal of minister Polo on Wednesday as terminating diplomatic relations, showing that it was not disposed to accept the expressed intention of this government to continue minister Woodford as a medium of communication until to-morrow noon.

Mr. Woodford also announced that he had instructed consul general Bowen at Barcelona to cause all the United States consuls in Spain to immediately withdraw from the country. He further stated that he had informed the Spanish government, after asking for his passports, that he had placed the United States legation in Madrid and United States interests in Spain in the hands of the British embassy.

The ambassador, Right Hon. Henry Drummond Wolf, is not at present in Madrid, so United States interests will be confined to the British charge, Sir George G. P. Benham, bart. To all intents and purposes this relieves the state department from further negotiations as to Cuba, save those relating to privateering, neutrality observance and the like.

It was found necessary to frame a notice to the powers of our intentions to establish a blockade. However, a notification required by international law.

The navy department yesterday, aside from giving the orders to the squadron, continued the work of adding to the navy and purchased another ship at Norfolk as an auxiliary craft and some small yachts. The news of the actual beginning of the war was received with gravity at the department and there were many speculations as to the destination of the Spanish squadron.

One suggestion is that it is heading to cut off the fine battleship Oregon, now on its way from the Pacific coast around to join Capt. Sampson's command.

There is also some fear that the Oregon may be taken at an unfair advantage, owing to knowledge of the existence of war, by the Spanish torpedo destroyer Tomaricre, which is now lying at Buenos Ayres, possibly with a view to avoiding a conflict in the straits of Magellan, where she would be at a disadvantage. The Oregon has been ordered to go around Cape Horn.

Relative to the news that comes from Chicago that three revenue cutters on the lakes cannot be available for naval purposes, it is said at the navy department that the department had some time ago abandoned the idea of using those craft owing to the difficulties in getting them out to the Atlantic coast. It was, however, desired that any international obstacle had been mentioned in the shape of a notice from the Canadian government that the passage of the ships would not be permitted. The little Bancroft, now at Boston, has been placed under the command of captain Glover, who will meet the ship at Norfolk within a few days and take it to Key West.

In the war department many orders flow to and fro relative to the concentration of troops in the south, and secretary Alger was several times in consultation with the president, resulting in the determination to call for 100,000 volunteers as soon as congress passes the necessary legislation. The change in the composition of the cabinet, entirely unexpected, completed the list of important events of the day.

For several days, and especially yesterday, the secretary of the treasury has received a large number of telegrams from collectors of customs at ports on the Atlantic and gulf coasts, stating that ships were being held for Cuban ports. Large shipments of mules were being made from southern ports and beef and coal from those further north. The question as to whether those vessels should be permitted to sail was referred to the attorney-general and his opinion was that, pending the passage of the bill prohibiting all exports on articles of this character, this government should not interfere.

mer captain general of Cuba then made a patriotic speech during which he declared that Cuba would never lose her Spanish sovereignty. Señor Fernandez Gonzalez declared in the name of the republicans that "party spirit is now drowned," adding that "there is only one way through Spain to repeal foreign aggression."

There was a slight fall in prices on the Spanish bourse to-day as a result of the severance of the diplomatic relations between Spain and the United States, but there was no panic. The semi-official Correspondencia says: "Spain's feelings have been outraged to the highest point by the injustice, coarseness, infamy, bad faith and insults of all kinds heaped upon her by a vile people with the most ignoble passions and basest feelings. We could easily return blow for blow, but Spaniards never use such weapons, which are forbidden in any civilized country."

In conclusion the Correspondencia expresses confidence in the "eventual triumph of justice."

Marshall Do Campos said he warmly approved the wisdom displayed by the government as "accepting voluntarily all the propositions submitted with the dignity of Spain." He added that since 1829 the United States "pursued its aim of seizing Cuba." If America belonged to the Americans, he argued, Spain ought to be considered an American power, "for it has watered the soil of America with her blood." He recalled the fact that there exists on the American continent 40,000 inhabitants of Spanish origin, all favorable to the mother country.

A resolution eloquently supported by several leading senators asking the assistance of the United States in the dignity of Spain was carried by acclamation.

Senator Gullon, foreign minister, thanked the senate in the name of the liberal cabinet but in the name of the government. The president then delivered a patriotic oration arousing intense enthusiasm.

London, April 22.—A special despatch from Madrid says the government has authorized Lieut. General Carro, minister of war, to call out 80,000 reserves. Three thousand cavalry troops left Cadix yesterday for a destination not disclosed.

Fleet Has Left Key West. WASHINGTON, April 22.—Word has reached here that the fleet left Key West at 5:45 this morning.

New York, April 22.—President McKinley will issue a proclamation that war exists between the United States and Spain upon receipt of advice from Capt. Sampson, the commander in chief of the naval forces in the West Indies, that he has established the blockade, thus forming a cord through which no vessel will be allowed to pass without fighting its way.

Britain Making Preparations. HALIFAX, April 22.—The imperial war department is taking every possible step to strengthen British garrisons and coastal stations on this side of the Atlantic.

World Join Spanish Forces. TORONTO, April 22.—J. Enoch Thompson, the Spanish consul here, says that while many Canadians have volunteered for the United States service, the tale is not altogether that way, as he has received no less than twenty-three applications from qualified members of the Canadian militia for service under the Spanish flag.

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Tobacco Trade With Cuba. The Price of Havana Cigars Will Go Up Immediately in Canada. TORONTO, April 22.—The tobacco trade between Cuba and Canada is a big one and is likely to be seriously affected by the war. Dealers here say that if it is declared the exports will stop, and up will go the price of Havana cigars.

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This week all kindergarten are interested in one particular person to whom they owe the founding of the kindergarten system.

Friedrich Wilhelm August Froebel was born at Oberweissbach, a village of the Thuringian Forest, Germany, on April 21st, 1797. He died on June 21st, 1852.

When a child he was very much neglected. His mother died when he was but a baby, and his father, who was a clergyman, gave more time to his parish than his family.

Kindergarten, or "Garden of children," was opened in Blankenburg, 1837. He says: "In everything there works and stirs one life, because to all one God has given life."

The Brooklet, by Sophia S. Bixie. From the German of Goethe. "Dear Brooklet, silver-bright and clear."

The Singer Clean and The Cricket. Listen, children, for from out the wonderland of stories there comes one to me of long ago.

John Leckie From The Lumber Camp. John Leckie, our missionary to the lumber camps, started in December for the Muskoka district.

When he arrived several had already had their turns, and now it was his to stand before the wise judges, each with ear ready for the slightest mistake.

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mind our workers that it will be to the interest of the work to further engage Mr. Leckie's services, and in order to do this, funds are needed.

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