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CAPE VERDE SQUADRON IS ON THIS SIDE

Causes Consternation.

IS AT PORT FRANCE, MARTINIQUE.

Developments may be Expected.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

LONDON, May 13.—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphing on Thursday night says that Admiral Bermejo admitted tonight that the Cape Verde squadron is now at Port Defraunce on the west coast of Martinique, French West Indies.

Port France, Martinique, is about 360 miles from Porto Rico.

The announcement of the Spanish Minister has caused consternation in this country.

There is something wrong somewhere, and stirring developments are anticipated.

Spanish Torpedo Boats off New England.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

New York, May 12.—The steamer Atlantic which arrived here yesterday at 10 o'clock reports that two torpedo boats were passed near Nantucket.

At Washington the assistant Sec'y. of the navy has received information from private sources that a number of torpedo boats are now off the New England coast. The President was informed and Mr. Blaine was instructed to place the facts before the War Board at once.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

Rome, May 13.—King Humbert consulted with the Minister of Foreign Affairs concerning the proposal made by the Czar for joint intervention by Triple Alliance and Russia to save Spain.

It is said that intervention is inevitable, but will only take place when the war has entered upon its final phase.

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TWO SPANISH SHIPS REPORTED DESTROYED.

Three U. S. Ships said to be Damaged.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

PORT AU PRINCE.—Intelligence has been received here that nine American warships under Admiral Sampson bombarded San Juan, Porto Rico, for four hours yesterday, Thursday, causing great damage to the city and shipping.

Many shells from the Americans passed over the fortifications and fell in the town—a large part of which is in ruins.

The bombardment is described as terrific. The whole squadron was engaged.

Two Spanish cruisers, Alphonzo XII and Isabel, are reported destroyed; one American warship is said to have been hit and severely damaged about the decks and upper works.

The Spanish garrison were forced to retire from some of the forts.

The fire of the ships caused terrible havoc.

The information is very meagre so far, but it does not assert that the Americans are yet in possession of San Juan.

They are expected to begin another attack today with the intention of occupying the fort.

Disorder is rife in the city, the Spaniards attention being wholly engaged by an attack of the ships and the officials are unable to protect the inhabitants.

LATER

The Official Report.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

WASHINGTON, May 13.—This morning the Navy department received the following despatch from Admiral Sampson dated St. Thomas, May 12, as follows:

"A portion of the squadron under my command reached San Juan this morning at daybreak.

No armed vessels were found in port. As soon as it was sufficiently light, we commenced attack upon the batteries defending the city.

This attack lasted about three hours and resulted in much damage to the batteries and incidentally to portion of city adjacent to the batteries.

Batteries replied to our fire but without material effect. One man was killed on board the New York, and seven slightly wounded in the Squadron.

No serious damage was done to any of the ships.

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PERHAPS TROUBLE WITH FRANCE

Regarding The LaFayette.

MAY ARISE OUT OF THE TRIP TO HAVANA.

The Steamer is Said to Have Landed Artillery.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

NEW YORK, May 13.—A Washington special to the Commercial Advertiser says that the Navy Department has been informed that while the French liner LaFayette was in Havana Harbor, she unloaded 80 French pieces of artillery and a large amount of supplies. Should this prove true, it will raise a question with France which will be of very grave importance and doubtless result in the demand that France make immediate apology.

THE FIGHT AT GARDENAS.

Some More Particulars.

AMERICANS CLAIM TO HAVE THE VICTORY.

It Was a Furious Fight While it Lasted.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

KEY WEST, May 3.—It is now known that the American boats made furious havoc with Cardenas harbor and town.

The Captain of the Hudson said "I know we destroyed a large part of their town, burning one of their gunboats, and I think we destroyed two other torpedo destroyers.

We were in a vortex of shot, shell and smoke, and could not tell accurately, but we saw one of their boats on fire and sinking soon after the action began.

I think the barracks took fire and some other buildings were soon burning.

The Spanish had masked batteries on all sides of us, hidden in bushes and behind houses.

They set a trap for us, and as soon as we got within range of their batteries they would move them.

I think their guns were field pieces.

The large boat could not get into the harbor to help us on account of the shallow water.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—While the Navy Department will not officially admit the fact a strong intimation is made that the Cape Verde fleet is west of Martinique.

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PARLIAMENT OF CANADA.

Island Claims Submitted.

SHALL WE HAVE ARBITRATION?

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

OTTAWA, May 12.—The memorial of Prince Edward Island for "better terms" was brought down yesterday. Messrs. Warburton, McDonald and Richards base their demands upon four counts:

First, the obligation of Canada to provide steam accommodation winter and summer.

Second, the terms of union were incorrectly worked out. It is assumed that the net debt and obligations resting on the Dominion at the time were much lower than the actual amount.

The cost of completing the Intercolonial and Canadian Pacific Railways and the Canals was seventy-five millions more than was computed and Prince Edward Island's share of this expenditure was \$1,191,925.

Third, the Island has been left out in regard to railway subsidies given to the other provinces.

Fourth, the province is entitled to a larger share of the Fishery Award than has been assigned. The delegates mentioned that some of these claims, when presented by Senator Ferguson and his associates, had been acknowledged. They proposed that these claims be submitted to arbitration. The Dominion to name one arbitrator, the province one third to be named by the Queen.

SIR WILFRID AND THE POPE.

A Lively Discussion in Which Sir Wilfrid Loses His Head.

WHO WAS THE TWO-FACED JUDAS?

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

OTTAWA, May 13.—In the House of Commons, yesterday, the discussion on the government's correspondence with Rome was resumed.

Mr. Clarke Wallace said that while Sir Wilfrid Laurier was claiming the whole question was settled, he had been all along carrying on secret negotiations with a foreign power and had even gone so far as to ask the Pope to make these negotiations easier by appointing a permanent ambassador at Ottawa. He (Mr. Wallace) protested against this transfer of political authority to a foreign potentate.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier lost his head, and in replying called Mr. Bergeron a Judas.

Mr. Bergeron replied that Mr. Laurier should not have called him a Judas. Judas was a man who betrayed his friends.

The Premier and his supporters had professed to be friends of the minority in Manitoba and had betrayed them. They had professed since then to have adopted a policy friendly to the other side and had betrayed them.

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