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DRIFTING WAR CLOUDS.

Spaniards Cooling Off.—His Royal Highness More Reasonable.

THE PRESIDENT FIRM.

REPORT OF THE COURT OF INQUIRY

The war clouds that have been hovering over us for so long seems to be dissipating and white winged peace again smiling upon us. Three days ago not a breath laden with anything but gore was allowed to escape the lips of the Spanish butcher, but a few hours sometimes works miracles, and at present his "Royal Highness" seems to have concluded that there is something in the world that might be easier got than Yankee blood. The first of this week President McKinley sent an ultimatum to the Spanish government to the effect that hostilities must cease at once, the reconcentrados allowed to go back to their homes and resume their several vocations unmolested. This has not at this writing been answered by the Spanish government and the administration is waiting patiently for their reply, which according to official statements, must not be delayed too long. An armistice has been hinted at by Spain but this also was promptly nipped in the bud by the President and in the meantime war preparations are going ahead as fast as men and money can push them, and it would seem that the last sombre hue of war was being rapidly assumed by our government as the orders have been given and partly executed to paint our war vessels a war color, and they are rapidly taking on a light lead color.

The report of the court of inquiry of the blowing up of the Maine, was concise and to the point and left no doubt as to the cause of the destruction of that vessel, but of course, could not say that it was done by the Spanish government, or who. But it is evident that no one except that government could plant a mine in the harbor of Havana, and surely the officers of that government piloted our vessel over the mine and moored her at the buoy that marked it, showing plainly that it was pre arranged. The President seems stolidly to go ahead with his preparations without allowing himself to be hurried or driven by pressure from within, yet at the same time, showing to the Spaniards that not a backward movement will be taken from the mandates already laid down, and that they must either recede from their former hot headed position or fight, and while war seems almost inevitable at the present time yet we hope it may be averted, but only by the absolute freedom of Cuba would we sanction it.

Report of Spanish Court of Inquiry.
The Spanish court of inquiry also made a report to their government to the effect that the explosion was from some internal cause, that the deck was blown up which was proof of it, but that the mud was so deep at the bottom of the harbor that their divers could not examine the lower parts of the vessel. The two conflicting reports will of course call for arbitration to settle.

The speech of Hon. John M. Thurston, in senate last week, on the Cuban question was a masterpiece of eloquence, and touched the right cord for all Americans regardless of politics, the starving reconcentrados inspired him with fire and a determination to see their wrongs righted.

Committed Suicide.

Mr. W. W. Pool, the big ranchman near Ravenna committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. No cause has been assigned why he should thus end his life other than ill health and financial difficulties. His body was found lying across the grave of his child. He leaves a wife and three daughters.

NEWS FROM ASHTON.

Mr. A. C. Sloan of Omaha, drove into town Wednesday evening, on his way to Custer county. Mr. H. J. Holmes was seen here Thursday.

Mr. E. F. Chinn, a former resident of this place, visited us Wednesday, between train's.

W. T. Owens returned to our bustling town Wednesday afternoon, from a short sojourning in Arcadia.

L. A. Wilson betook himself to Omaha Wednesday afternoon via the B. & M.

Mr. H. J. Hillebrandt, of St. Paul was here Thursday setting up a sample McCormick binder for Mr. Taylor.

Mr. F. W. Schaupp returned from his trip to Omaha on Friday eve.

State Bank Examiner, V. E. Wilson, was here Tuesday afternoon.

We hear that our friend, Mr. Riley Arthaud was united in marriage to Miss Edna Keeney of St. Paul, at the home of the brides parents, on Sunday, March 20, "I. C. U. extends his congratulations, and hopes a long and happy wedded life may be the lot of the young people.

L. A. Wilson returned from Omaha Friday evening last.

J. Higley of Omaha was here Friday and Saturday in the interest of the McCormick Company.

Mrs. James Landers, of Arcadia, visited Mrs. H. Smelser on Thursday.

Mrs. C. P. Hyde, of Webster City Iowa, arrived Saturday evening for a visit with her brother, Mr. H. Smelser.

We wish to correct an error made last week. The blyele spoken of as belonging to Mrs. Fred Wiekman we are informed is the property of Miss Lillie Nightingale, of Loup City. We were misinformed, hence the error.

We have it from good authority that Mr. E. G. Taylor sold his residence to Mr. H. Smelser, on Saturday. Oh I tell you Ashton is not so slow after all.

Our friend Mr. Ed. Daniels, bid us good by on Tuesday morning, and set sail for Wymore, via the Burlington.

Mr. E. J. Harden is here now, in behalf of the Deering Company.
I. C. U.

A Pioneer's Views.

Walter Moon stepped into our sanetum a few days since and deposited \$2.00 in our general fund. Mr. Moon was among the early settlers of Sherman county, and from his first settlement has always had implicit confidence in Nebraska, and particularly this part. He has experienced the disastrous results of both the grasshoppers and drouth, the former in the early days and the latter in recent days gone by. Mr. Moon reckons, however, that these severe trials have been more than offset by more prosperous times which we have been and are now enjoying.

Oh, would that all our citizens would raise their voices high and soon. To sound Nebraska's praises loud, as does the voice of Walter Moon.

Burned To Death.

A sad affair was reported to us yesterday. A farmer by the name of Theiler, living between Ansley and Westerville, was working in the field last Saturday forenoon and had decided to burn off the prairie for some distance around so as to facilitate the growth of new grass. He started the fire and went about his work thinking no more of it. Mrs. Theiler, who was at the house, fearing that some damage might be done, started through the hills to try and extinguish the flames. It is supposed that during the contest which followed, her dress accidentally caught fire, for she was found lying in a canyon about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, unconscious and terribly burned. She was brought to the house and medical aid summoned, but the unfortunate woman never recovered, sufficiently to tell the sad tale. She died about 12 o'clock that night.—Arcadia Champion.

LITCHFIELD OBJECTS.

It Merchants Think They should Have The Home Patronage.

TRADE AT HOME.

IT WILL PAY YOU TO DO SO.

Some of the merchants of Litchfield are justly indignant over the fact that many of the citizens of the west part of the county are sending off their money to Montgomery, Ward & Co., and patronizing scalpers who are going over the country selling goods. Much indignation is shown towards the scalpers, but they are no more to be blamed than the ones who patronize them. Much of the goods sold by Montgomery, Ward & Co. is cheap stuff and of course is sold at a low price. On the contrary the home merchant handle better goods, and the price, of course, is on some things higher. They have spent years, perhaps the best part of their life, trying to please their customers, and buy only such goods as will give satisfaction both in quality and price. Neither the traveling scalpers or Montgomery, Ward & Co. pays taxes to support our county or to maintain our public schools. They get all they can and keep it. Not one penny reverts back, directly or indirectly, to our people. The home merchant pays taxes, the proceeds of which are paid out for school purposes and county labor. The merchants also employ labor when business is good, thereby directly benefiting our people and helping to build up our local enterprise. It is a mistaken idea to think that sending away for goods lessens the cost. If you do not take quality into consideration you may be able to save a few cents on first cost, but the additional cost will afterwards be added.

The local merchant who does not get your trade is unable to improve his property and furnish employment, or to contribute to public enterprises, all of which tends to furnish more of a home market for products of the farm. And again the sidewalks and general appearance of your town would not be so much run down at the heel as is often the case when business is dull. If people would take a broader view of such things they would not only avoid being victimized by the scalpers, but would help their friends, and local enterprises, and above all better their own condition.

Trade at Home.

We call the attention of our people to the fact that they should deal with their home merchants, whenever it is possible to do so and not patronize every cheapjohn institution that happens along, and who pay a small license for the privilege of opening an auctioneering room in the city and throw on the market a lot of bankrupt goods at reduced prices. Generally they are shelf worn and out of date, and of an inferior grade. Our home merchants handle good goods, and are heavy tax payers. Many of our citizens have large families, but owing to their financial condition, pay scarcely any taxes. It necessarily follows then that the merchants, some who may have no children at all, are heavily taxed to educate their neighbors and their should be patrons children; and yet many of this class will run after this cheap john stuff, spend their cash for it and ask their home merchants for credit. Did you ever think of it in this light? Give the home merchants your undivided support and you will have a better town, a better market a better school, more local enterprises and more pleasant surroundings.

The Rev. W. H. Weaver, pastor of the U. B. Church, Dillsburg, Pa., recognizes the value of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and does not hesitate to tell others about it. "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," he says "and find it an excellent medicine for colds, coughs and hoarseness." So does every one who gives it a trial. Sold by Oden-dahl Bros.



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that you may depend on. Now in order to satisfy you that we have got just what we say we invite you to call and see them. It won't cost you anything to look at them, and if we are not right go some where else to buy your harness. Thats a privilege you have got and we will not undertake to prevent you from exercising it.

Yours respectfully.

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