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THE LARGEST CIRCULATION of any Cass County Paper.

The enthusiasts who have been hanging General Weyler in effigy, we fear, will not be so energetic in an effort to capture the Spanish butcher.

There is now but one war governor living and Nebraska has that honor—Alvin Saunders. In a short time, however, we will be blessed with forty-five of them in this great big country.

President McKinley's proclamation, declaring Cuban ports blockaded by the American fleet, shows that the administration will not wait for Spain to take the initiative. It is war now to a finish.

Spain is raising money to prosecute the war by holding bull fights in all the large towns. A fine method of increasing the national treasury. It ought to take about two weeks to whip such a nation.

General Blanco's trochas and barb wire fences will not avail him much longer. It takes more than a wire fence to turn back an American soldier as the Spanish general will abundantly learn later on.

The call of President McKinley for 125,000 volunteers will give about 2,200 Nebraska patriots a chance to join the army and help vindicate the poor boys who were murdered on the Maine by the Spanish cowards.

McKinley shows himself the cool headed master of the situation. With more power than the Czar of Russia, he is the same even minded combination of soldier and civilian that may be relied upon to make few mistakes.

The democratic press is engaged in booming Ed. Howard, the Sarpy county wind-bag, for governor. Howard would be a pudding for the republicans and we hope he may be successful in carrying off the democratic nomination.

Polo y Bernabe, the ex-Spanish minister, has gone to Canada, and will watch the war from Toronto. Polo is a bright boy and knows better than to return to Spain where American shot and shell may be flying before the war is over.

The West Indies are doing a rushing business in coal before war ships of the enemy stop the business. Coal dealers down that way must make big money out of their supply which cannot be recuperated after the war is on as it all comes from England or the United States.

The long-looked for war is on at last, and Americans will soon be called upon to show what metal they are made of. The foreigners look upon us as hysterical, with a love for talk and a fear of fighting. We shall soon see whether the brutal Spaniards are not of the talking class themselves. The fighting fleet has been ordered to Havana.

Gov. Holcomb is urged to call a special session of the legislature, to make a war fund appropriation. So long as the general government is running the war it is enough for Nebraska to supply her quota of men promptly. The state treasury is in no condition to be drawn upon for extra expenditures and even war times will not excuse a waste of public money.

Henry U. Johnson, the man who has misrepresented the splendid radical old republican Sixth district of Indiana in congress, was turned down Saturday, his own county of Wayne having repudiated him and cast her solid vote for a more worthy man. The Richmond mugwump dude, whose voice was for peace at any price, is probably inclined just now for war, after hearing from home, but he is too late.

If Edminster calls his pop state convention, early, before the other fellows can get around to it, and has himself nominated for governor out of hand, what will the other rings of the celebrated circus be able to do in the premises? Mr Bryan will be hurrying home, if he hears of this proposed insurrection. He will never recognize the independence of the Edminster reconcentrados. Because if he does, where is he?—State Journal.

The resignation of Postmaster General Gary, on account of the serious condition of his health, creates general surprise, as it was not known such a step was contemplated. The president, however, seems to have been posted on the matter and immediately appointed the brilliant Philadelphia editor, Charles Emory Smith, of the Press, to fill the important position. Mr. Smith has every qualification to direct the affairs of this great office in a manner that will reflect credit on the party, and as a counsellor to the president he will also prove a valuable man.

THE ULTIMATUM.

The following is a copy of the ultimatum given to Spain, a copy of which, served on Polo Bernabe, being sufficient to make him get out of the country. It was addressed to the American minister at Madrid:

Woodford, minister, Madrid: You have been furnished with a joint resolution voted by the congress on the 19th inst.—approved today—in relation to the pacification of the island of Cuba. In obedience to that act, the president directs you to immediately communicate to the government of Spain said resolution, with formal demand of the government of the United States that the government of Spain relinquish its authority and government in the island of Cuba and withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters.

In taking this step the United States government hereby disclaims any disposition or intention to exercise sovereignty, jurisdiction or control over said island, except for the pacification thereof, and asserts its determination when this is accomplished to leave the government and control of the island to its people, under such free and independent government as they may establish.

If by the hour of noon on Saturday next, the 23d day of April, inst., there be not communicated to this government by that of Spain, a full and satisfactory response to this demand and resolution, whereby the ends of peace in Cuba shall be assured, the president will proceed without further notice to use the power and authority enjoined and conferred upon him by the said joint resolution to such extent as may be necessary to carry the same into effect.

COAL AS CONTRABAND.

Great Britain's decision to hold coal to be contraband, and to prohibit the sale thereof by British subjects at home or in the colonies to either belligerent in case of a conflict between the United States and Spain, is decidedly advantageous to us. Our ships could procure all the fuel they need at home ports near the scene of operation, but the British coaling stations in the West Indies and the Bermuda would be closed to Spanish ships. The position of Great Britain was very different in 1870-71, when French war ships obtained as much coal as they desired in British ports, notwithstanding the protests of Bismarck. The award of the Geneva tribunal in 1872 may have had something to do with the case; nevertheless we may attribute the change in the British attitude to a desire to go to the limit in showing a friendly disposition toward this nation.—Philadelphia Record.

The "Virginius affair," so often mentioned in connection with the present trouble with Spain, occurred in 1873. The Virginius, a steamer sailing under the American flag, was captured by the Spaniards while attempting to carry arms and ammunition from Hayti to the Cuban insurgents. The trade was unlawful, and Captain Fry, an American citizen, was shot, with fifty-two persons who were with him in the expedition. Ninety-three others were convicted, but were saved by Captain Lorraine, of the British ship, Niobe, who threatened to bombard Santiago de Cuba if they were executed. The affair caused great indignation in the United States and President Grant was severely criticized because he did not retaliate with war. In a couple of years Spain paid \$80,000 for the relief of the American citizens who were executed.—State Journal.

The Spaniards denounce the interference of the United States in Cuban affairs as an unwarranted piece of impertinence. It should scarcely be expected that a nation were 70 per cent of the population are ignoramuses and where 100 per cent are devoted to the glories of bull fighting, will understand and appreciate the high moral ground Uncle Sam assumes in demanding that Spain cease its practice of starving helpless and innocent reconcentrados to death. If this is too much for her sense of right perhaps she can appreciate why Uncle Sam doesn't like the way she blew up the Maine. She can take her choice of these two crimes for which to be hickd.

John Sherman, the man soon to be retired from the office of secretary of state, on account of infirmities of age, was born May 10, 1823, at Lancaster, Ohio. He is a lawyer by profession, having been admitted to the bar in 1841. He was a member of congress from 1855 to 1861—six years—and was in the U. S. senate from 1861 to 1877—sixteen years;—was secretary of the treasury four years under Hayes and has been in the senate up to the beginning of the McKinley administration, when he resigned to accept the portfolio of state. This makes his term of public life forty-three years.

According to W. E. Annin, the Washington correspondent of the State Journal, Minister Woodford is in disgrace for having failed to deliver the ultimatum until ten hours after he received it, thus giving Spain time to hear from Bernabe.

INFORMATION AND OPINIONS.

Senator Walthall of Mississippi is dead. His successor will no doubt be appointed by the governor at once.

The carpenter work is progressing very satisfactory on Isaac Pollard's large brick residence, although there is much to be done yet. The house will contain twenty-six rooms, and will

be a very imposing structure. Mr. Pollard has had a large vault built on the first floor, which will insure the safe keeping of all valuable papers, etc.—Nehawka Register.

The population of the Philippine islands is given in the statistics prepared before these wars as 9,500,000. Cuba had 4,521,000 people and Porto Rico 754,709.

The people of Nehawka, as a pledge of their forgiving and christian spirit, wish to kindly tender to Guy Livingston of Plattsmouth, the use of the Nehawka cannon to take with him to Cuba to help drive the Spaniards from the island.—Nehawka Register.

Henri Watterson has issued his ultimatum as follows: First, Cuba must be free. Second, Spain must answer, and answer to us, for her treachery and inhumanity. Third, the world must be taught to know the United States of America is a nation, with the biggest kind of a capital N.

There is a land of pure delight, Where saints immortal reign, And folks are ordered out of sight Who register from Spain. —Walt Mason.

Spain curses the day she discovered us. The money from the pawn of Queen Isabella's jewels could have been used for a better purpose than helping Columbus, according to late Spanish authority.

Col. Woodford seemed to like the Madrid climate first rate until it got too hot for him.

The company which that sterling patriot, W. J. Bryan, will join has concluded to stay at home. It's safer and more profitable than going to war.

A singular accident befell Landlord Gruber's little granddaughter, Lulu Scharp, living out south of town, one day last week. Her older brother had been standing a nail on end and bending over and picking it up with his teeth. The little girl, not yet 4 years old, tried the experiment, but lost her balance and fell, forcing the four-inch wire nail into her forehead, just above the right eye, and the head was close up to the skin, the whole nail having entered the head. Her father, who had been sitting near reading, hastily removed the nail and summoned a physician. The child was soon at play as if nothing had happened. The wound has not yet healed, but no serious results are feared as the child suffers no pain whatever.—Nehawka Register.

The Spanish speaking people of the world numbered in 1890, according to Mulhall, 42,800,000. The population of Spain is 17,550,216. Of the people of Spain in 1889, only 28.5 per cent could read and write; 3.4 per cent could read only; 68.1 per cent were illiterate.—Ex.

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W. F. Cody has accepted a position on the staff of General Miles and will go with him to Cuba as soon as the government is ready to send its forces over.

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