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Let us discard all "projected" warships, all made-over iron and wood vessels, and compare the two navies as they would meet each the other. The steel easily obtained on short notice, and it is therefore a matter of minor importance which nation has the more of them at Now, with all

the present moment. Of battle-ships Spain has only one. upon a matter of secrecy as the senator from Delaware or any other senator, and war vessel so far as protection is concerned, but its armament is not espe- titled to it if it is of a public character. cially formidable as battle-ships go. It has two 12.5-inch guns, two 11-inch, one 6.2-inch and twelve 4.7-inch as a heavy battery. The lows of our navy has a much more effective battery in its four 12-inch guns, eight 8-inch and six 4-inch. We have altogether seven battle-ships, each carrying tremendous batteries of the most approved and supposedly of the most dangerous modern types.

Spain has no sea-going coast-defense ships, while we have six, carrying thirty heavy guns and fifty-two guns in secondary batteries. And these ships are to all intents and purposes battle ships. Many naval experts regard them as far more dangerous than the so called battle-

In the class of non-sea-going coast defenders Spain has two vessels only, and they carry but nine large guns. We have fourteen of these floating but nonsen-going forts, and they carry thirty

Spain has seven armored cruisers, carrying 208 large guns. But they are not so new or so well equipped or so dangerous as they seem to be when one reads about them. We have only two ships-New York and Brooklyn-that fall in this class, and they carry seventyfour large guns. But not only are these more formidable than any of Spain's armored cruisers, but also some of our protected cruisers are more worthy of this class than several of Spain's that

Of protected and partially protected cruisers-the most attractive and sensible kind of modern war vessels-we have sixteen, all made of steel, all in good condition, all equipped with the best pos-sible armament and all entitled to the name of ocean greyhounds. Spain has only five steel vessels of this class and ten iron vessels.

We are therefore stronger and Spain is weaker at the two most important points-heavy warships for bombard-ments and harbor defense, and swift, well-armed, easily managed cruisers.

How much have we spent for these battle-ships against which such grave charges of unwieldiness, unseaworthiness and uselessness are brought? The first cost of our six sea-going bat

tle-ships was as follows:	
Indiana	\$3,020,000
lowa	3,010,000
Maine	2,500,000
Massachusetts	
Oregon	2,180,000
Texas	
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Total	17,200,000
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Texas management	-	
Total	17,	230,000
Then we are now building	nve	battle-
ships which will cost at least	the	Iollow-
Kearsage	BO. 1	190,000
Kentucky	3,1	150,000
Alabama	0,1	00,000
Illinois	3,7	156,000
Wisconsin		750,000
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Thus there has been expended or is in process of expenditure \$34,780,000 for ships of a type that is, to say the least head, weight 1,100, five years old, new of it, under great suspicion, and that shoes; strayed from 1511 Q St. on Janis not so valuable for our purposes as uary 16. coast defenders or fast flying croisers like the beautiful and formidable Colum-

Reckoning the average wages of an American at \$400 a year, this vast sum FRANK IAMS BREEDER OF represents the total work and earning of no less than 86,950 men for a whole year. And the cost of the Maine alone -\$3,000,000 if we include alterations necessary to fit her for sea-represented the work of 7,500 men for a year.

KEEPING IT DARK.

The Pelicy of the Administration is to Cover Up Everything Concerning

The policy of the administration in regard to Cuban matters has been and is to keep secret everything concerning the late disaster to the battleship Maine. Even senators and representatives outside the "charmed circle" are not permitted to know the real facts. So far has the matter gone that Senator Allen LAMS has introduced a resolution directing a senate committee to investigate the lams causes of the disaster. His resolution is as follows:

Resolved. That the committee on naval affaire be, and they are breeby, directed to make im-mediate and thorough inquiry into the cause of the destruction of the batteskip Malor in Ha-bana Harbor on the 15th instant, and to report

result of the same to the senate. It provoked a very heated discussion in which several senators participated. In closing the debate Senator Allen said:

I regret very much the exhibition of temper on the other side of the chamber this morning. I regret exceedingly that any resolution that I should introduce would lead to intemperate discussion among my republicus colleagues and as-

I did not introduce the resolution for at Paul, Note, is units it. A M and U P its a the purpose of ereating any schisin in the ranks of the opposition nor to reflect upon any department of the govern-I introduced it because I believed and do believe now that it is the duty of the senate to investigate this whole attair. I believe that it is the duty of the committee on naval offsire either to send a subcommittee to Habana and make an investigation or summon witnesses from there and take their testimony without delay and lay the result before the senate. Whether they will do that or not I do not know.

I share in the suspicion, or some of the respection of the senator from timums Mr. Mason). I share in the suspicion that there is a purpose somewhere-I am not prepared to may where-to secret, 144 North Thirteenth St., Halter Blk.

the real truth and the real facts surrounding this unfortunate occurrence.

The very air of this capitol is rife constantly with secrecy. We are not permitted to know here as senators of the United States anything about what is going on in some of these committees. The senator from Delaware (Mr. Gray) is a member of the committee on foreign relations. There are many matters betails, however, shows that in naval mat- fore that committee which the senate ters as in all else Spain indulges in ought to know, and it would be like pulling eyeteeth to get a solltary fact from that committee as to the condition of our foreign relations at this time. I do not know that I am unduly criticising that committee. It is so of other committees. We seem to be proceeding upon the idea that some senator, by virtue of vessels of modern type are alone worth his birth or by virtue of his superiority considering, because other vessels can be of intellect, is entitled to have secrets of a public character and secrete them from

Now, with all due deference, I feel myself just as competent to receive and act as a member of the chamber I am en-

I want the committee on naval affairs to investigate this matter and return the truth and all the truth. Let the responsibility be with them. It is not with me. It is with me if I fail to move at the proper time; but when the jurisdiction of the subject-matter passes to that committee the responsibility is with them. If they fail to make a prompt investigation and to report that investigation to the senate, and through the senate to the world, they will be held re-sponsible for it by public opinion.

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The Illinois state board of railway and warehouse commissioners have prevailed upon the union stock yards at Chicago to reduce the price on corn to shippers. The former price, \$1 per bushel, is reduced so as to be satisfactory to the live stock shippers of the state. Several attempts have been made to accomplish his by legislation, but the efforts have

The conservative populist leaders of Minnesota held a conference at Minneapolis on Wednesday of last week for the purpose of taking the preliminary steps toward consolidating the silver forces.

The Kansas Pacific railroad has been sold by decree of court to the reorganization committee and at a loss of seven million dollars to the government. The proposition of purchase by government officials seems to have been made only to calm public sentiment and make it easier for the Wall street interests to fleece the people. It furnishes another striking illustration of the servility of the present administration to corporate interests.

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