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The war ship recently purchased by this government from Brazil cost Uncle Sam \$2,500,000.

The French minister for the colonies has refused the petition of the wife of former Captain Dreyfus to share his imprisonment on Devil's Island.

The confirmation of Powderly, the Romanist, is in accord with the policy of the administration to-turn every dethe church of Rome.

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The death of Mrs. John M. Thurston early this week, was a great shock to all the friends of the Senator. Her eloquent p'es to the mothers of the north-land for aid for the suffering. starving and dving Cubans seems to have been the con pletion of her lifework, and will be treasured by her friends as the last beatings of a noble heart. Every Nebraskan will sympathize with Sepator Thurston in his great bereavement.

This nation has nothing too good for the veterans of the late war, and it should not permit the most dependent to be subject to the control of a man who has once been abjudged unfit to be governor of a home, and removed. The me at Los Angeles, Cal., has an unfit man at its head and the government officials are aware of the fact. He should be succeeded by some man who knows the needs and sympathizes with the inmates sufficiently to see that no favoritism creeps into the home.

An amusing incident which happened on Tenth street yesterday is told by one of our friends:

Several of the Pope's Irish, who were perhaps a little the worses for too much St. Patrick's day whiskey were standing on the street corner commenting upon the passers-by in a more or less uncomplimentary way when they noticed a very black negro wearing a shamrock coming up the street. One of the crowd exclaimed:

"Look at that! Look at th' mug on 'im! He couldn't make one of us believe he's from Ireland!"

As the negro neared them the speaker continued: "I'll just take a punch at 'im for luck!"

The negro was too quick for his assailant, and by a deft movement landed him in the gutter. A second Irishman came to the rescue and he too was landed over the curb by the negro, who then fewing attack from the remaining members of the crowd, ran off down the street, making his

escape without a scratch. Our friend says that if that negro is looking for a job perhaps he can find a summer's work in his company.

Mr. P. F. Pettibone, a valued member of the Chicago Board of Education, delivered an address before the normal school of Chicago, on Wednesday afternoon, February 23, 1898. He said in part:

"Patriotism, call it a passion, an what you will; there may be other enments as elevated and elevating, other virtues as essential and salutory, but how can youth attain to any fine enthusiasm, unselfish purpose or worthy achievement, of there be not in his soul, among the earnest implantings and of most generous growth, an inspiring devotion, which, in riper years, if unperverted, ne will come to know as the second person in the adorable, triune love, which sanctifies and blesses life; love of home, love of country, love of God; "blest three in one"-the one all-encompassing love of the Father of all. Home! its four walls inclose about all ultimate happiness that life can give us. Country! the land of one's birth and adoption! It enshrines the home. God! He is "the God over all, blessed forever."

Graven above the hearthstone of the Union League Club, is the significant greeting and monition: "Welcome to loyal hearts. We join ourselves to no and keep step to the music of the Un-

Are there then anywhere hearts disloyal? Do not all honor flag and Union? What relic is this, say you, of partment of the government over to the long years when treason fought for the flag and the only music of the Union was the roar of the battles that saved her? Ah, but these words were chiseled long after those dreadful other respect the committee will be who opened negotiations with the rav- swallowed him up. The next morning years, and they have as deep a meaning now. For the welcome is not to the cold, outward loyalty, which may not plot treason, but is unfaithful to citizen obligation, indifferent, unpatriotic. It is to the warm, loyal heart that loves and is true.

The flag is well and the music is well, but what though the music swell grandly out upon the same breeze that ripples into starry splendors the glory of the flag if ears are deaf to the mighty harmony and eyes glisten not at the vision what snall it avail? The flag must be carried. It must be borne high, and at the head of the grand army. It must lead a march and lead it aright, getically boomed for U. S. Senator by a and the tramp, tramp, tramp of the marching hosts must be to the majesby men who have had years of political tie rhythm of that music whose pulsings only patriotic hearts may feel. This is what the motto of the Union League Club means. Not a negative, We have plenty of the March 4th 18- passive loyalty, but a patriotism posi-Union, which, by and by, please God, shall blend with the sublimer music of the spheres in that solemn and blessed anthem of humanity, "Peace on earth, good will to men." In the spirit of its noble motto, the Union League salutes you, O youth of loyal heart!

I have endeavored thus to emphasize an intelligent enthusiasm as an essential quality of effective patriotism, and to emphasize the blending of the quality and life of the teacher with the things taught as an essential quality of effectual educational effort, because the ultimate thought which I wish to enforce as a lesson of the day to us is this: "The spirit of patriotism, an indspensable element of the teacher's motive-its transfusion an essential element of the teacher's endeavor."

DR. JEKYL AND MR. HYDE.

Congressman Boutelle Throws the Mask Off the Adminitration.

The following is an interesting bit of information which throws some light upon the supposed vigorous policy of the administration in the matter of the destruction of the battleship Maine. The staff correspondent of the Chicago Journal says:

Washington, March 16.-President McKinley has sacrificed, temporarily at least, the friendship of Congressman Boutelle, chairman of the house committee on naval affairs.

The two have had a serious difference, and as a result the gentleman from Maine has announced that he will not in the future subject himself to censure and criticism by trying to carry out the vacilating wishes of

the administration. It is said that Mr. Boutelle almost quarreled with the president and that he left the white house in an excited

frame of mind. The origin of the difficulty is found in a request made by Secretary Long for 100 naval engineers.

Mr. Boutelle told the secretary that he understood the needs of one navy, this country has receive to be atoned and it was 100 skilled machinists that for by one expulsion of the Spaniards

committee sees fit to make.

But this does not mean that there will be any stinting. On the contrary the measure will be he mos. stupendous ever reported. Congressman Foss, Maine was blown up by accident. That who is a member, said this afternoon that would give the navy, in addition act of Spaniards. enthusiasm, a sentiment, a virtue, to the three battleships already included, six torpedo boat destroyers thusiasm as strong and abiding, other and six torpedo boats. These will cost passions as instinctive, other senti- in the neighborhood of \$13,000,000, sons without any action by the Spanwhile the battleships will cost about ish government, but leaving that gov-\$9,000,000.

Every other paragraph in the bill will be increased in the same propor-

There is now a desire on the part of every member of the committee to display a liberal spirit and there is hostile act on the part of Spain. little doubt that Speaker Reed will be astounded when the bill is laid before him. It will almost double the number of men in the navy. The personnel of the navy will be enlarged by the shifting of engineers from the revenue service to the various war vessels. These men are skilled and competent to take command of the new ships. In the regulations now a new applicant must be a graduate of Annapolis, so that new men would be assigned to the revenue service and an obstacle would in this way be easily overcome.

There is also a well-defined intention on the part of the committee to party which does not carry the flag provide men to work every ship that is in service now or that may later be impressed. There will be no limit placed on the number of sailors to be enlisted, because it is a fact that experienced mariners are hard to get.

In the matter of ammunition, pro- for a few million dollars. jectiles and torpedoes, an amount of money will be applied that will make

administration.

acting under instructions in delaying fully. matters. The president is of the opinion that he can perform the impossible. He thinks that he can peacefully adjust all differences, and that any increase of the army and navy beyond normal requirements would care to openly indicate this. He prefers to make various demonstrations without spending any more than is necessary in his judgment.

be called upon to act independently whole matter would drop.

Edinburgh, Scotland, Feb. 12.-Joseph Slattery and his wife, the lecturing expriest and former sister of charity, who were mobbed at Savannah other American cities, were charged at a police court here today with selling indecent books, purport-ing to be "an exposure of Catholi-cism." The court was crowded with Catholics and Protestants. Slattery promised to destroy the books and the case was adjourned in order to enable him to fulfill his promise.

Upon reading the above dispatch we sent a cable message to Rev. Slattery asking him for a full explanation of the incident, but as ne had already left Edinburgh, the message had to be forwarded to New castletyne. On receipt of our inquiry Rev. Slattery wrote us as follows:

Sunderland, Scotland, Feb. 28, 1898. The American: In reply to your cablegram will say that the case will not be finished until the 12th of March. I will then give you the whole thing as well as a full account of my travels since I left America. I send kindest regards to all liberty loving people in the great west. We have conquered Rome all through here and will conquer her on March 12. Love to all friends. I remain, truly JOSEPH SLATTERY.

Commercialism vs. Patriotism.

That commercial spirit which beieves that speculation is the chief end of man is gaining strength in this country. It is laboring to poison patriotism at the fountain. It seeks to make Americans believe that dishonor, shame, humiliation should be submitted to cheerfully sooner toan that the stock market should be disturbed or the revelries of the "400" be interfered with.

That base commercial spirit, acting in unison with the mugwumpery of the country, is trying to gain admission to the councils of the nation and to hypnotize congress and the president so that they may do its cowardly will. Is the commercial spirit to rule, the country to be disgraced, and the name of McKinley to be bracketed

with that of Buchanan? Or is the unpardonable insult which

IMPORTANCE OF TEACHING PA- contain only such provisions as the War and Honor, Set Peace and Shame.

The Washington dispatches of the Tribune state that Friday the president and his cabinet discussed three contingencies. The arst was that the contingency has been disposed of. It that he would propose an amendment is known that its destruction was the

The second contingency-

Considered the finding that the Maine was blown up by private perernment responsible for the acts of its citizens. This might be followed by a demand for an indemnity with the usual ultimatum. In the third case the board might find that the explosion of the Maine was a distinct

President ackinley did not originate this suggestion that if "the Spanish government"-Sagasta at Madrid blowing up of the Maine and the murder of its crew, but Spanish officials, acting with authority, did it, then the United States should say to Spain: "Give us much money and we will then. shake hands over the blood-stained wreck."

That dishonoring suggestion, rank wumps and from the jackrabbits of the stock exchanges, who are thrown tor a blow under the chin and upon into a panic by rumors of war and his "Adam's apple' and wrenched rush into the market to sacrifice their holdings. The "peace at any price" men of 1896 are the ones who have two shots at the Roman thief and the managed to smuggle into the white watchman around on O'Fallon street house this proposition and the honor of the government be bartered away

This degrading suggestion the acceptance of which would put the Spain open her eyes, and in every United States in the attitude of a man isher of his wife, stating, "Let us see at 10:30 o'clock Patrolman Meany ar-The decision of Mr. Boutelle to go if we cannot settle this regrettable rested Egan (this is where Turk meets farther than the president ever dreamed affair on a pecuniary basis," will be Turk) a this home, 1014 Collins street. of going was prompted by his reluc- rejected indignantly by President Mctance to stand the brunt of abuse that Kinley. Correspondents of partisan should have been directed toward the democratic papers who intimate that Tracey, an Irish-American A. P. A., he looks favorably on this second con- if you please, \$5 for daring to sell A It develops that Boutelle has been tingency misrepresent him shame- P. a. papers on the streets of a free

Spain on the ground that the crime which has been perpetrated was the act of Sappiards who were not acting under instructions from their governbe a waste of money, but he does not ment then the United States would fall bers' and cutthroats' roost. The police into the hands of the pettifogging. with the \$50,000,000 in his possession who are masters of the art of killing Third" district. He has served both time.

Month after month would glide by But Mr. Boutelle is not willing to and no conclusion would be reached. than its intrinsic value. He won it play the buffer between the adminis- As fast as one point was disposed of from a republican friend on an electration and people. He is acquainted Spain would raise another. It would tion bet that Cieveland would be the with the deficiencies of the navy, and be professing continually an earnest next president after November, 1892. he will proced upon the presumption desire to reach a satisfactory conclu- The doctor is a true American, not on that war wid come and must be pre- sion that would keep that dangling the surface only, but to the core. He before the eyes of the American gov-This is one of the signs that con- ernment, expecting that American in- Louis. Our friend is a prominent gress anticipates the day when it will dignation would agate and finally the member of the Knights of Pythias, and in any library. Sent on receipt of

> The president knows the diplomtic methods of the Spaniards. He must know also something of the feelings of his fellow countrymen. The voice of the indignant people reaches his ears as well as the craven pleadings of the timid Wall street speclators.

The people want no disgraceful negotiations with Spain. Should the president plunge his administration into that morass he and als party would be swept out of power in 1900 by a fierce outburst of popular indignation. An administration which stains the nacional honor never will be forgiven.

A century and a half ago England declared war on Spain, one of the causes being that the commander of a Spanish coastguard vessel off Ha-Vana had cut off one of the ears of an English sea captain whose vessel he had overhauled. Spaniards have blown up an American war snip and killed its seamen. It makes no difference whether they were aut..orized" or "instructed" or not. The only adequate punishment for such a crime is the merciless punishment of war.

The foul crime committed in a Spanish port by Spaniards in order to injure the United States and help Spain must be punished by the sword. Spain must be driven from the western world. The Americans must make as short work of her in Cuba as Jackson did in Florida.

This nation must strike, not threaten. It must spy, The sword will be drawn from ...e scabbard if 'indemity' is not paid." It must not even hint that the wrong which has been done can be atoned for by money. For if it did the world would say that everything has its price in the United States, the national honor included Fleets and armies, not diplomats and arbitrators, must settle this Spanish question.—Chicago Tribune.

A Correction.

Editor American: The case of Roberts, appellant, vs. Bradfield, involving the validity of sectarian apwere wanted.

The upshot of it was that the recommendations of the administration will mendations of the administration feels as they do.—Chicago

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from Cuba? Patriotic Americans hope one week on account of the sickness and it is full of facts. It is interestant in for the latter. They believe the administration feels as they do.—Chicago

Mr. L. A. Bailey, who will appear with me in the case.

Cloth, neatry printed on good paper, and it is full of facts. It is interestant in feels as they do.—Chicago

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Mr. Roys has nothing whatever to do with this case. His letter in the Our Book American of ast week is misleading. We" have no connection with each

I regret that I am not able to buy and distribute a hundred thousand copies of your paper containing an account of the Jesuit conspiracy. Everybody ought to read it. Respectfully, JOSEPH BRADFIELD.

Robbed by Roman-Irish.

Dr. S. G. Stapp, who befriended the American's representatives, James E. Tracey and F. X. D. in the stormy six weeks they had passed here in 1894, was held up at the corner of O'Falon and North Broadway at 8:30 o'clock Thursday evening, March 10, and robbed by one Tom Egan of a diamond stick pih valued at \$125.

Dante pictured with unrivaled per the horrors of hell, but was incapable or Blanco at Havana-did order the of depicting the terrors of the life the citizens of this neighborhood are subjected to at the hands of the Micks and the flower of the pope's own who happen to immigrate this way now and

Dr. Stapp, who is 57 years old, had just left this office, 1317 North Broadway, and was about to step upon the with cowardice, came from the mug- rear platform of the street car, when Egan, 25 years of age, struck the docfrom the former's neck his cravat containing the costly in. The doctor fired had just arrived at Broadway and fired also two shots at the fleeting form of the thug, proverbially known as a crossback. The shots went wide of their fleeing object. Egan disappeared as if the earth had opened and

His trial comes up March 24 before Judge Murphy, the man who fined American city and in the shadows of Suppose the government were to de- the stars and stripes. It is said Tom mand a heavy money indemnity of Egan moves with the gang of jailpirds an penitentiary larks who hang out at Tom Kenney's dive, Carr and Second streets, which our friends say is verbally known as a regular robknow Egan to be one of the most procrastinating Spanish diplomats. desperate thieves in the old "Bloody workhouse and penitentiary sentences

The doctor prizes the stone for more is a member of Council No. 32 of St. I believe ne has held an office in its price. Address,

The doctor was a great help Friend Tracey and myself in 1894. The way that he showed the true colors of a man every inch of him, and befriended us, we can never forget until death closes its dark door upon us. Meanwhile, the Turks, Romans and ourselves will wait in great expectancy for the trial of the People vs. Egan and then chronicle whether everything is rotten in Denmark or not .- F. X. Des Rivieres.

Priet Malone Again.

The following is an extract from an address delivered by Priest T. H. Malone, of Denver, Colo., at Ottawa, Ill., March 16th, on the occasion of the Irish centennial celebrations of the revolution of 1798. The Priest said: "The history of Ireland, sad and

heart-rending in so many of its phases, inspires Irishmen and the sons of Irishmen to sympathize deeply with all people struggling to be free. Yet the horrors of war are so appalling that only the gravest reasons should impel any government to depart from the ways of peace. Good citizens deplore the charges and insinuations that the chief executive of this nation is swayed in dealing with the Cuban question by the influence of the money

"I did not vote for McKinley, but gave willing expression on this occasion to the opinion that he seeks a peaceful solution of the difficulties taht now threaten us simply and solely because he has at heart the best interests of the people-that of the artisan in the shop and the laborer on the street as well as that of the millionaire. In applauding McKinley for his honorable attempts to give us peace with honor, we are neither populists, democrats nor republicans, but American citizens."

To this it may be added that they whatever else the Irish are they are Roman Catholics first.

The editor of this paper takes pleasure in recommending to all patriots propriations by congress was set for Rev. Christian's great anti-Roman hearing in the court of appeals to- book, entitled, "Americanism or Romorrow but has been continued for manism, Which?" It is bound in

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