

turn. DENIAL BY WEYLER. El Nacional, the organ of General Weyler

affairs are taking a more pacific and dilatory

many Methodists answer the call as in days an authorized statement declaring absolutely the most detonative material aboard. It is States' latest naval acquisition during these gone by. lew hours. When the San Francisco appeared still dry. The bottles are uninjured. Now down river Lieutenant Colwell went off in that the guncotton is secured dynamite may the British coast guard officer's gig to board be used in releasing the big, valuable tenit. On the American cruiser having fired a inch guis. They may not be seriously damsalute, it passed to its moorings. aged. The small guns brought up are in a Ensign Robinson and Assistant Engineer MacMorris fair condition, except those near the point stood to salute on the Amazonas' poop deck. of greatest heat. the smallest naval force that ever had pos-Spanish divers were down a long while accession of so formidable a war ship. this afternoon. They say they are still look-At 5 o'clock Lieutenant Colwell returned ing for the Maine's ram. Tuesday a beautiful wreath of flowers in Admiral Howell's launch, accompanied by Lieutenant Commander Nazro, who formally was placed upon the graves of the Maine's to the sword. took over the command of the Amazonas. of other Cuban ports. As nothing had been dead in Colon cemetery by the officers of with Lieutenant Johnson, Ensign McDougall, the Austrian training ship Donau. The Dr. A. W. Dunbar, Lieutenant of Marines tillery, at the end of 1895 I again poid at raw mounds of earth bear their flowers and Barnett and Past Assistant Engineer Miner. tention to the matter, but I did nothing six-foot streamers of red and white rib-The keys to the magazines were handed over bons bearing the words, "Our Unfortunate to Commander Nazro and then Lieutmant Comrades of the Maine." (In German, "den Colwell and Ensign Robinson went ashore. verunglockten under berufsgenossen der The Amazonas is recognized by the Ameri. Maine.") The Donau was at New Orleans can officers as a formidable and handsome when the Maine disaster occurred. Its capvessel, though owing to the neglect of all tain immediately half-masted his colors and attempt at cleanliness it will need a rigornow the tribute is gracefully finished by ous overhaul before it looks its best. It will the floral touch of sympathy. have a working crew transferred tomorrow SYLVESTER SCOVEL. from the San Francisco and expects to leave SENTIMENT IS OPPOSED TO WAR the Thames Tuesday. ANOTHER TRANSFER. Interviews with American Represent Another interesting ceremony took place atives in Paris. LONDON, March 18 .- The Morning Leader on board Alfred Harmsworth's famous Arctic whaler Windward, in which Nansen was today publishes a dispatch from Paris givrescued, and which lay in the next berth to ing interviews which its correspondent is said to have had with the United States the Amazonas. Harmsworth, with characblegram-Special Telegram.)-Admiral Uribl. ambassador, General Horace Porter; the secteristic liberality and enterprise has given the Windward to Lieutenreit Peary for his retary of the United States embassy, Mr. Henry Vignaud, and United States Consul expedition and arranged for hauling down the General J. K. Gowdy. The ambassador, reunion jack and hoisting the stars and stripes before it sailed for New York. Mr. Harmsferring to the Maine disaster, eulogized President McKinley's attitude and is quoted as worth was on board and gave orders for the saying that, "In spite of the sensational unfurling of the American flag, although the atmosphere, the United States will not rus! legal transfer of the Whidward from Enginto war, although the Maine report may land to the United States must be ratified prove to be the last straw." by an act of congress. Harmsworth, the keenest and ablest of English journalists, The secretary of the United States embassy said: "There wil be no war, because holds firmly that the feeling of his countrythe feelings of both countries are that the men in this crisis is warmly sympathetic to the United States and said when the stars difficulties can be settled. There is not an powder for immediate delivery. - These to-

Altogether, possibly so anomalous a con-

of valuables. They expect to hoist the six--ANOMALOUS SITUATION. that peace would be preserved, and the inch guns Monday, freedom of Cuba obtained. While, however, Gunner Morgan found the dry guncotton he deprecated war, he would venture to may today. Its place was in the captain's cabin dition of things never prevailed before on that if war should come there would be as In Madrid, heads its number tonight with and it was put up in glass tubes and was any war ship of any nation as on the United

the letter attributed to Weyler New York. The Nacional adds that as regards the question of the defenses of Havana there is no other correct version but that published in its number of February 27, denying that any submarine defenses had been made in the port of Havana, because unnecessary.

In reply to a query Marshal Campos writes me: "When I was for the first time captain general of Cuba I examined the question of land and coast defenses of Havana like those done and in view of the improvement of arfor the interior defenses of the port, not did I think there was any call for doing so. In any case I would not have thought of constructing mines in a port frequented by so many vessels. It would have been very costly work and would have delven commerce from that port. The assertions that have been made concerning mines in that port are among the many infamous calumnies invented by the enemies of Spain."

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CRUISER O'HIGGINS NOT FOR SALE. Chill Wants the Vessel for Its Own

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PARIS, March 18 .-- (New York World Ca-Chillan naval commissioner to Europe, seen today, said; "No negotiations are in progress for the sale of the O'Higgins. In any case, Chill presumably wants the ironclads it orders, whether in view of the possibilities of war or not, I cannot say." In order to test the matter completely I obtained an interview with the Chilian minister here, Don Ramon Rabbas Luco, who said: "Chili has been approached by both Spain and the United States for purchase, but Chili refused, as she wants the O'Higgins to replace a vessel out of service. In the ordinary course of affairs the O'Higgins leaves Elswick early next month for Chili."

GLASGOW, March 18 .- (New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-The American commissioners are unlikely to visit Clyde, as the war ships building for Britain cannot be sold. The only foreign war ship on hand is the Asaka battleship, 15,200 tons. for Japan. Were the Japanese willing to sell the vessel, it cannot be ready in eighteen months. Americans have no need for merchant cruisers, but the Alaska, which Spain had on charter, is being inquired after by agents of possible owners. The Fairfield company, which owns the old Flier, will sell if the price offered is sufficient. No other suitable merchant cruiser is on the river.

TRIESTE, March 18 .- (New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-Austria will sell no war ships either to Spain or America. The highest naval authority at Trieste said today: "Austria needs all her ships and will sell none." He spoke very emphatically and added: "If it were otherwise I should have no time for an interview. Two war ships are being built here for this government in private ship yards and will be completed in two months Another is building in the government ship yards at Pola. That the Austrian court sympathizes with the queen regent of Spain, who is an Austrian princess, needs no proof, but for reasons of state this country will keep out of any en-

tanglement," Sobral Placed on Admiralty Staff.

NEW YORK, March 18 .- A special to the Herald from Madrid says: It is significant that Senor Sobral, late naval attuche at able that a contract will be let for laying a sent to Washington, Captain Sampson ap-Washington, who has full plans of all the large cable of the size used in the ocean, parently knew nothing of it. United States coast defenses, has been ap- between all of the local fortifications. This pointed on the staff of the admiralty and had plan to connect all the forts surrounding a long conference with the minister of state. New York City with Governor's Island was The publication of official returns showing that the receipts of the Cuban customs for Nelson A. Mileo gave his attention on his very are more than double the same tour of inspection on Tuesday.

American in Paris who does not applaud the attitude of President McKinley in try-Windward: ing every expedient before resorting to war."

The consul general said: "The real heart and soul have not yet been heard. The surface talk which causes the collapse of stocks does not merit serious attention. Unless I jecting to placing it under the American am greatly mistaken, our troubles will ensign. That shows how differently Englishshortly be ended."

HE THINKS THERE WILL BE NO WAR

Governor Leedy Says the Corporations Are Behind the Scare. KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 18 .- A special to the Star from Topeka, Kan., says:

Governor John W. Leedy, in an interview here today, declared that in his opinion the administration at Washington is taking ad-

vantage of the present troubles to increase the army, not for the purpose of fighting Spain, but to have a standing army to keep down strikes and internal trouble at home. "It they call for volunteers Konsas will furnish them," he said, "but they won't call for them unless I am badly mistaken. conclusions. I don't expect to see war with Spain, but this crisin is just what the corporations have been looking for to give an excuse

for a big standing army to keep down lab: troubles. I have up confidence in the gov grament's intentions." Telegraph Lines to Fortifications. expectation and only serve to disappoint the NEW YORK, March 18 .- Further plins to make perfect the means of communication will not be for us to make the atscouncebetween the defenses of New York have

been made. Within a day or two it is probone of the matters to which Major General

and stripes had been unifuried over the "If I had flown the French or German flag over this ship. I should be regarded with

obloguy and loathing by every Englishman: but not an Englishman would think of obmen regard the United States as compared year.

with other nations." The Windward sailed today and as its ma-

chinery has been greatly improved it is expected to make New York in twelve or fourteen days under favorable conditions.

COURT CONTINUES ITS SESSION. Does Not Know When it Will B

Ready to Report. KEY WEST, Fla., March 18 .- The court of inquiry is diligently continuing its seasions on board the battleship Iowa, and, judging from statements made by members, it is quite problematical how many more days will pass before the public learns its

"The court is still hard at work " said Captain Sampson. "I have just left my confereca. It is utterly impossible to say when our report would be ready. If I surmised the date, and you reported it, I am afraid some-thing would occur that would defeat the

anxious public. When the report is ready it ment. Washington, I presume, will do that. If a preliminary report had already been

In the course of the afternoon, while the court continued in session without once coming out of the cabin, large quantities of ammunition were taken on board. The same thing took place on the New York. Both

ned the idea upon learning that it could Bishop Goodsell of Chattanooga, who prenot be made ready for service in less than sided, expressed hearty endorsement of three or four months, which practically put Bishop Walden's utterances. He said no it out of consideration as an emergency purnobler sight was ever witnessed in the hischase.

tory of nations than the patriotic wrath that The gunboat Newport reported its arriva followed the destruction of a great battleship, by cable to the Navy department, from Greyand a great nation, conscious of its strength, town. It will bring back to the United waiting patiently to learn the truth before States the Nicaragua canal commission and it strikes. He hoped for peace, if possible then will be attached at once to the North to maintain it, and said our cause must be Atlantic squadron. declared a righteous one before we resort Some idea of the activity prevailing in

naval circles is given by the statement that the pay roll of the construction department, CIRCULARS CONCERNING RELIEF. only one of several departments, in the Mare Island navy yard for March was \$80,000.

One Pound of Cornment Per Day Per Capita to Be Issued.

was not equaled during the late war. HAVANA, March 18 .- Circulars have been It is said to be the purpose of the president sent to the alcaldes of about 200 towns in Cuba notifying them of the new methods of and his advisers to keep a separate and disrelief and also setting forth that cornmeal tinct account of the funds spent from the \$50,000,000 emergency appropriation made by amounting to one pound per day per capita congress for the national defense. In acwill be the first supply sent. Continunig, cordance with this intention a separate form the circular ooks that algaldes personally or of requisition has been prepared and all in conjunction with the proper officers or amounts allotted from the fund are made consuls see that the relief is properly disup on the direct order signed by the pres-

tributed. Further supplies for remote places ident himself. "The president wants to reare made contingent for the present upon port to congress just how every cent of this prompt results of the authorities as to the money was spent," said a member of the distribution, the number of people fed, etc. cabinet today, "and for this reason is adopt-Visitors to the cemetery find the graves ing the above course."

of the dead of the Maine decorated with many flowers while from the central place about \$400,000. of sepulchre waves a long streamer of red and yellow with an inscription showing that the decoration and flowers were placed there

tions for the army and navy. The Michigan by the callere of the Austrian war ship at Erle, Pa., has collisted fifty-five men so Donau, "In memory of our unfortunate felfar, and good reports come from all quarlow-callors of the United States ship Maine." ters.

The Columbia and the Minneapolis :re Big Orders for Powder SANTA CRUZ, Cal., March 18 .- The Callstill 210 each short of their proper force. fornia Powder works received orders from This is accounted for by the fact that firethe Navy department Wednesday for 3,000,men, machinists and coal passers are wanted. 000 pounds of brown prismatic powder. Yes-An officer at the department said that 5,000 landsmen could be secured in a day if they terday the same concern received an order for 200,000 pounds of the same kind of were desired.

> The Marblehead is at Tampa. The little Bancroft, on its way across the

gether make the largest single order for powder ever given by the United States government on this coast. About six months will be rerquired to fill these orders, even with the additional machinery now in course Helena. of construction by the company. Previous did the Montgomery, while the Detroit sailed are willing to end the strife in their island orders for smokeless powder will keep the

slight repairs made.

The ordnance bureau of the War department today awarded contracts for a large 54%. The closing price yesterday was cern, the bureau divided it so that supplies will be coming from several quarters at the

The report that the Vesuvius had been sighted early in the day coming through the

from any official source.

The Vesuvius did not reach Washington tonight, but it was reported at the navy yard that it anchored off the government proving grounds at Indian Head about 8 o'clock, where it was met by the big navy yard tug Triton, which returned to the yard about 9 p. m. It was denied that the Triton brought anyone from the Vesuvius to Wash-

with strict orders not to be disturbed, and today.

transfer from becoming known. he field of battle. Only ten applicants for enlistment on the "Naturally, there was much talk about the

Key West in response to orders from Wash- they would do in their measrooms. From +

ington, and that in accordance with these my observation of them I should not con-

missiles, and now not one remains. It is

only known that they have been shipped to

orders every precaution was taken to pre-

Minneapolis and Columbia proved acceptable Maine disaster, and so far as I could ascertoday. Over 200 more are still needed. tain from my conversation with Americans BETHLEHEM, Pa., March 18 .- The Beth and with those not entirely under the influlehem Iron company tonight shipped three ence of the Spaniards, the opinion was unlfive-inch guns, jackets and hoops to the versal that the Maine had been destroyed Washington navy yard. by an external agency, and almost every SAVANNAH, Ga., March 18 .- Battery F.

person with whom I discussed the subject in First artillery, arrived here from Fort Mon-Cuba expects that the findings of the Amercan court of inquiry will substantiate this roe tonight, and was sent at once to Tybee island to man the guns on the heavy fortiview. fications in progress there.

"There is a divergence of opinion on the island as to the probabilities of war be-Battery F, of light artillery from Fort tween Spain and the United States, and I am Riley, Kan., will arrive tomorrow and go into camp near the city. A force is at work sure that I am within the bounds of the truth when I say that almost the entire naplanting the harbor with submarine mines tive population would welcome any turn of and torpedoes off Fort Pulaski, at the mouth events, however tragic, that would wrest Cuba from Spanish dominion. This is true,

soldlers were talking to each other and

smoking as freely and unconcernedly .an

sider them very formidable antagonists on

Three inland steamers, owned and operated not only of those who are avowedly favorby W. T. Gibson, were tendered the govable to a war for independence, but of many ernment today for this purpose. The tender of those who are ranked as Spanish sympawas made through inquiry from the War thizers, but who are at heart in favor of department. Cuban independence. Even in Havana the

pushed as fast as possible to completion.

BALTIMORE, March 18 .- The new tor-

pedo boat Rodgers, built by the Columbian

iron works of this city, will leave here to-

morrow morning for its official trial trip.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 18 .- Battery I

First regiment of artillery, en route from

Fortress Monroe to Mobile, passed through

CUBANS MIGHT PAY AN INDEMNITY.

They Will Pay Nothing.

reasonable now, from the Cubans' point of

view, may be gathered from the following

reply to such a question, which T. Estrada

now they would not give more if as much

than \$100,000,000. If the wet season should

Bury Maine Victims,

Filibusters Join the Navy.

KEY WEST, Fla., March 18 .- The two ur-

Polma made this evening:

if the trial proves successful.

Atlanta this evening.

of Savannah river.

WEST SUPERIOR, Wis., March 18 .- The allegiance to Spain is of a very weak and American Steel Barge company, recently predoubtful character, and if war should come, pared plans for two torpedo boats and a steel it would be found that there would be an monitor which were shown to the Washinguprising in that dity against the mother. ton officials by Captain Alexander McDougall country which would be a most important who will return tomorrow, it is understood, factor in shortening the contest and decidwith contracts for the two torpedo boats. ing it against Spain." PORTSMOUTH, N. H., March 18 .- A

PARTITION OF CUBA IS SUGGESTED. schooner arrived today from New York with

Insurgents to Have Two and Spain a cargo of ammunition and two eight-inch guns for the fortifications at New Castle. Four of the Provinces. CHICAGO, March 18 .-- A special to the The defenses of Portsmouth harbor will be

Journal from Westington says: The latest plan is to divide Cuba. Senator Proctor suggests that Cubans take all they have woo, Spain all it holds. The Cubana have possession of Puerto Principe and Santiago de Cuba. The Spanish control the The present plan is to speed from here to Norfolk, where it will go into commission provinces of Pinar del Rio, Havana, Matanzue and Santa Clara.

It may be that Spain can be coerced by diplomatic means into giving up Puerto Principe and Santiago de Cuba, retaining the most fertile part of its dependency.

When peace is restored, as the United States will indist that it must be, the Cubana will possess all they have won and Spain all it has successfully defended.

It appears a reasonable solution of the NEW YORK, March 18 .- That the Cubans perplexing eituation that now prevails and it ought to be satisfactory to Spain. Senator Proctor in the cloak rooms has been streaming to pay Spain an indemnity, the leaders ously advocating this scheme of partitioning here are positive in their assertions that Cuba and already it is finding some supthey are not weakening in the slightest deport.

Whether it will be pleasing to the insurgents is doubtful. They want the entire island, but under certain circumstances a compromise might be effected and if it is, the president would be happy. He would have stopped the war in Cuba, given the insurgents their independence and have rendered it possible for Spain to capitulate without sacrificing all of its pretentious honor.

"At the beginning of the dry season of DWARF THE ARMENIAN OUTRAGES. 1896-7 they would have paid \$150,000,000, but

Spain Overtops the Turk in Govern ing its Provinces.

DETROIT, March 18 .- Prof. Dean C. Worchester of the University of Michigan, who has twice visited the Philippine islands in the interest of science, said that people here are unwilling to believe the things said about the Spanish treatment of the Cubans, They seem too abhorvent. But if they could aster which arrived here on the Olivette appreciate that the outrages in Cuba dwarf

from Havana last night were interred today. these of Armenia, they would have stopped them long ago. Said he: For two years and a half I was in close

centact with officials of Spain in the Philippine islands and witnessed the abuse of the government. Weyler was at the time governor general. His salary for the time he was in the island was \$50,000, but it was positively known that he placed \$4,500,000 to finding their occupation gone by the seizure his credit in the banks of Paris and London

55 11-16. PARIS, March 18 .- Spanish 4s on the bourse today were quoted at 54 11-16 against 55 11-16, yesterday's closing price. Eliter Feeling Against Americans. NEW YORK, March 18 .- A special to the Herald from San Juan, Porto Rico, says: Feeling against Americans here is growing very bitter. In view of the growing feeling,

the United States consul here, Mr. Hanna, will probably ask for a war ship.

Reason for Stopping Torpedo Boats. MADRID, March 18 .- The Imparcial today says: "The instructions sent to the torpedo fleet to remain in the Canary islands are due to the government's desire that the squadron should be encorted to Cuba by a cruiser and for no other reason."

Gladatone's Condition is Serious. BOURNEMOUTH, March 18 .- The follow ing bulletin has been issued with respect to Mr. Gladstone: In the absence of any improvement in Mr

Gladstone's condition, it has been settled in consultation that he should return to Hawarden next week. The bulletin is regarded as having only one meaning. It is understood the grievous

facial pains have returned and will no longer are now better supplied with ammu- vield to the u

works running at their full capacity for a Spanish Securities Down. LONDON, March 18 .- On the Stock ex-

ocean, reported by cable its arrival today at Horta, Fayal. It appears to be making about as good time as its larger consort, the If the Fight Continues. However, The Samoset arrived at Key West today, as

from that port for Tortugas. The Machina is without question, but while they are willhas arrived at Boston, where it will have change today Spanish 4s were quoted at

gree, and are willing to continue the fight. The question of the amount of indemnity number of steel armor-piercing and dcckwhich might be paid in case such an agreepiercing projectiles for the coast fortificament were feasible was talked of curnestly tion guns. There were several hidders, but by the officials of the Cuban junta here toinstead of giving the contract to one conday. Just what amount might have been paid a year ago, and that which might seem

acquired possession of the Varez, the Italian

armored cruiser. It would not, however, he

a matter of deep concern if the report were

true. The department liself had the vessel

in mind as a possible acquisition, but aban-

This great expenditure per month, it is said,

The amount paid for the Mayflower was

Recruiting is going on apace at all sta-

RECRUITING IS CONTINUED.

same time.

Virginia capes headed for Washington gave rise to the rumor that it was bringing the report of the naval board of inquiry to Washington. This could not be confirmed

set in this year before such an agreement At the Navy department it was admitted could be arranged, we would not think of that the Vesuvius was bound for Washingpaying anything." ton, but it was explained that it was coming merely for repairs to its armament, and it was denied that it had on board any mem ber of the raval board or that it was carryidentified bodies of victims of the Maine dising the report of that body.

A squad of blue jackets from the Nashville followed the remains to the grave. The funeral service was read by Chaplain Royce of the cruiser New York.

NEW ORLEANS, March 18.-The crew the filibuster, Dauntless, seventeen in all, ington.