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How and Why It Was Established and Declared Independent-Marvelous Development of the Black Belt.

its, or within the limits of the territories designated by the conference should be submitted to the mediation of one or several governments."
During the sittings of the conference most European nations, imitating the example set by the United States and Germany, recognized the sovereignty of the International Kongo association, and the association itself having, on February 25, 1885, adhered to the resolutions promulgated by the conference Prince Bismarck closed the assembly with a speech in which he expressed best wishes for the prosperity of the new state.

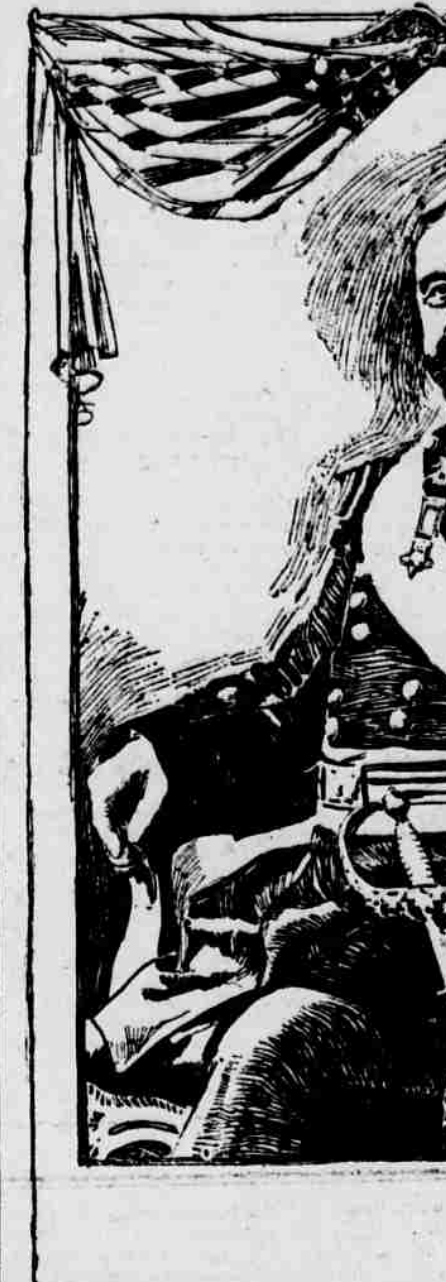
GENERAL SICKLES ON SPAIN

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DELUSIONS ABOUT THE UNITED STATES

A Successful War-News Increased Prevalence in Europe-Observations of the Distinguished Ex-Minister to Madrid.

"One fact that needs to be appreciated in order to understand the situation in the present war between the United States and Spain," said General "Dan" Sickles the other day, "is the difference in the extent and accuracy of the information which each country possesses in regard to the other."



GENERAL DANIEL E. SICKLES.

the thick of the fray at Chancellorville and Grant and our hand found fields. He is familiar with the political aspects of the present contest, too, for he has been a congressman and a member of our European diplomatic corps.

LABOR AND INDUSTRY.

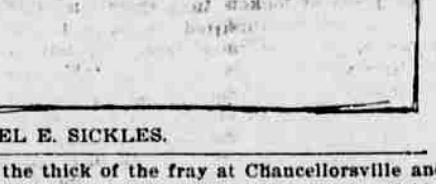
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