"THE KING OF THE NIGGERS."

Roland Creech, the Ex-American Cowboy, is Now Cecil Rhodes' Right Hand Man and a Power in South Africa. By ALLEN SANGREE.

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name is Reland H. Creech. Before emigrating to Johannesburg he lived at Butte, Mont., and as a product of the wild and woolly west he is a concrete type.

Though a resident of South Africa but five years, it is no exaggeration to say that Creech is now dividing honors with the ereat English pioneer in the matter of developing the lower end of the dark con-

Ne prime ministers extract him from critical positions. No newspapers sound his praises. He is not famous. He may not

figure in history. But from the Zambesi to the Orange river over the breadth of Africa he is known as 'King of the Niggers" and when Cecil Rhodes visits the province of Mozambique or Eastern Moshonaland he stays, not with the wealthy English merchants or the government officials, but in the modest abode of Roland Creech, wherever that may chance

Sir Alfred Milner, governor of Cape country last fall. The writer was present in Umtali, a small town of Mozambique, get it. when his excellency and suite arrived there.

After Cecil Rhodes and "Oom Paul" | Few persons can stand the climate, and Kruger, the most interesting character in English pioneers who have survived the jun-South Africa is an American cowboy. His gles of India and the snows of British America succumb here.

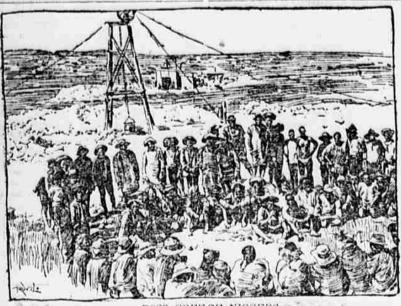
A few hours suffice for the deadly fever to do its work. The mortality is awful. On October 16, last year, the writer saw ten men carried out of the Beach hotel at Beira. who had gone to bed the night before seem- the sea and came with the trolley and bicyingly in splendld health.

The soil for 100 miles inland is quicksand. Rough pine boxes, which serve as coffins, will not stay down in the grave, but float to the top. A black stands on the box until the hole is filled with quick lime and sand. It is suicidal to remain there long, but Creech stands it.

to disease. He is a superb athlete and lives for the most part in the open air. At night he lies down on the yeldt wherever he happens to be and takes his rest with the horse's rein tied to his boot.

In contrast to the others he taboos all with living, it is worthy of note. Every Colony, and Queen Victoria's representative | Englishman working for the British South in South Africa, made an official tour of the African Chartered company drinks at least fered, one quart of brandy a day unless he cannot

The personality and career of this man



BOSS CREECH NIGGERS.

place was to meet Mr. Rhodes. The ex- hates to wear a collar. Yet his clothes are premier was discovered sipping brandy and of the most expensive importations. He presoda with the cowboy and he preferred to fers broadcloth and generally swims a river continue that pastime to attending the gov- or wallows in the dusty veldt the first day ernor's recention.

attributed to the latter's abruptness, his of Creech's niggers wear some of his clothes. utter indifference to all conventionalities consideration than the blackest of his

Rhodes likes this reckless independence. telegraph line in less time and with greater skill than buy Englishman he can get.

man in a great radius of country who can get

to develop the country has now become a died and were buried at his expense. On serious question. In some parts it is im- a native heliday he rode into-Beira and always in demand. American breeders have word was as law among these wild men.



PORTRAIT ROLAND H. CREECH.

man, so far as the writer observed, who has no difficulty to procure them. Almost every native met with in East Africa when asked for whom he was working would proudly reply, "Boss Creech."

of his marvelous fluency in languages. In | The story of the courtship is rather amusa few years this uneducated cowboy has be- ing. Creech was the champion hammer dialects that he can speak them better than letic club of the town the hammer throw

They also like him because he is fair and

The "Boss" also resorts to many ruses to make the boys work. Just now he is constructing a telegraph line from Umtali to Tete on the Zambesl. Dr. Jameson had to give up this job on account of the heat.

a bottle of brandy about a mile in advance up the east coast. He walked inland for and announces that the men who reach that 200 miles, living on the spoils of his rifle, point first get the prize. The telegraph line and eventually got in with Cecil Rhodes.

is rapidly approaching Tete. occasions has unmercifully thrashed white ing goods from the end of the Beira railmen who abused one of them. This is al- | way to Salisbury. These boys carry great most unprecedented in South Africa, where loads in a kind of hammock called "matreatment of blacks, both by the English chills." and the Boers, exceeds in brutality any that

whole days with a Kaffir boy under his Creech." "I fly like a bird for Boss Creech. wagon, bands and feet tied to either axle. South Africa is being opened up now from the south and the east. Bulawayo, the most important town in Central South Africa, has is probably nearer to the powers than any just been connected with Cape Town by a of them. ratiroad. Salisbury, the town of next importance, lying 200 miles further east, is to have an outlet at Beira, East Africa. Creech, under Rhodes' direction, is completing a rail-

way between these two points. That part of Africa is said to be the most district in the world, owing to its st, sandy nature and the equatorial heat.

he puts on a new suit. After that it is dis-Mr. Rhodes' intense fancy for Creech is carded. It is a popular saying that one-half

He seems to have no conception of the and to his value as a worker. Creech treats value of money. His earnings are marvelthe man who holds the destinies of half a ous. The bank at Beira stands ready to continent in his hands with very little more cash his check for 40,000 pounds (\$200,000) As a rule he has no savings, but his credit is good.

"This man Creech is never happy unless At the same time he knows that this Ameri- he is broke," remarked Jameson to Rhodes can chap will build a railroad or erect a when the former left the telegraph job. "But I'll back him for any amount," the latter is said to have answered, "because Then, too, Creech seems to be the only we can't get along without him."

For two months of last year he sup ported sixty strauded Americans and Eng-Obtaining blacks to work in the mines and lishmen at Fontes villa, many of whom

contents to his blacks. His swagger as he rolls along the stree a constant challenge in a community where physical prowess is the only safe passport, but even the burliest hesitate to dislodge the chip, for Creech is first and foremost a fighter and has worked his way to the top in a great measure through his ability to take hard knocks.

Creech is now 30 years old. He began a checkered career by running off from home to join the navy when 16 years of age. The deception was exposed by his family and he had to leave, . Nothing daunted, he next loined a cavalry regiment in the United States army, and before his age was learned he had become an expert circus rider.

He then emigrated to Peru and for a ime ran a logomotive at Calleo, until the fever nearly finished him. He landed at San Francisco with a fortune consisting of a curious palm hat, with which he bribed a railroad conductor to carry him to Butte. At that time Butte was agitated over the depredations of a gang of horse thieves, who had created a reign of terror. The

sheriff and his posse had been repulsed and no one volunteered to make a second at-

The sheriff finally succeeded in recruiting Creech as his deputy. Single-handed, the young fellow captured three of the thieves with fourteen horses and broke up the gang He became a terror to law breakers, His last act as a deputy was to capture the celebrated Indian outlaw Red Tongue, whose crimes are still told to scare the children. Creech trailed him for days

After this the life became uneventful and he decided to try his fortune in South Africa. His companion was William L. Reader, a They seem to regard him with awe because Michigan man, who married Miss Creech.

him after a desperate fight with knives.

across prairies and plains and finally landed

come so proficient in the Zulu, Mashona, thrower of Montana. He had never been Basuto, Bechuana and other defeated. On a field day held by the aththe native. I have heard him talk to a ing contest narrowed down to Creech and du so rapidly that the black could not the tall stranger, the latter winning out by several feet.

The vanquished athlete shook the other's generous. When a boy wishes to quit work hand warmly, and assured him he bore no The American Hand Sewed Shoe company of and go back to his tribe for a few months. hard feelings toward him and introduced this city is the defendant and the Woonhe generally departs with a present. When him to Miss Nellie Creech, with the observathe boy returns he brings with him a dozen tion: "Say, little girl, this guy is all right. friends. In this way the force is constantly He's the only man that ever beat me with the hammer. You'd better take him."

Creech got a start in South Africa by leading an expedition into the Murchison Range, a new gold field north of the Transvaal. He discovered some rich claims and got hold of When the men funk entirely Creech puts them for his company. He afterward went

He organized the "Packamesi Boys," a He also protects his boys, and on several black brigade, which is employed in carry-

They wear horns on their heads and strings was ever visited on a Georgia negro in the of nuts on their ankles, which rattle when shaken. One can hear them coming through It is related of President Kruger himself the swamps a mile ahead, shouting at the that he once treked across country for two top of their lungs "Ninka Mafuto Ita Boss

Recruited in Arizona.

distinguishing features there. But he could at least be on his guard. EUROPE TAKES OUR HORSES. A Strangely Composite Company of Fighters Victims of the Trolley System Go Into

front hall and the sickening difficulty

the Cavalry Service Abroad.

for any purpose is, comparatively, a new

Saturdays the Atlantic Transport line of

steamers, plying between this port and Lon-

don, carries a cargo of 350, while a like

number is also taken each Saturday by the

Wilson-Furniss line, sailing direct for Lon-

500 are taken by the big White Star freight

ers, and on Saturdays there are shipments

of almost equal proportions by the Hamburg-

American boats. Besides, irregular ship-

ments go by the Wilson line to Hull, Glas

gow and London, fortnightly shipments are

sent by the Phoenix line to Antwerp, and

ramp steamers often include horses in their

"It would not be asy to find out how

large a proportion of these horses are bought

but I have no doubt that a large number

of those going to Austria find their way

nto the cavalry than elsewhere. Unques-

tionably the cavalry service of that country

now includes thousands of horses bred on

"Austrian cavalry horses are undoubtedly

selected with greater care than those of any

other country. Horses with hoofs pointed

inward or outward are invariably rejected.

To be acceptable the hoofs should point

straight to the front since horses with such

hoofs are rarely subject to 'interference' or

over-reaching,' two vices which are consid-

ered decidedly detrimental in cavalry re-

mounts. Horses with ewe necks and un-

duly sloping shoulders are also thrown out,

while, of course, the animal with a deep

chest, high withers and an arched neck is

inued right along the demand in this coun-

France and Russia probably come next to

Austria as buyers of American horses for the

avalry service. Russia buys them in great

umbers, openly, the same as Austria; but

not so France. Such a course, as the writer

was informed by the horseman above quoted,

the Gauls. They hold that everything bought

by the government should be produced in

France, if possible, and that French horses

This is unquestionably true with regard

to heavy animals for draught purposes, but

the French product of horses fit for cavalry

use falls far short of the demand. Ameri-

can horses get into the service however

through the hands of speculators, who buy

them at sales in Vienna, Bologna and

Brussels, and then take them to France.

where they are turned out and kept for a

eason, and then sold to the government as

The mounts of Germany's cavalry also in-

lude many "Americans," and, though they

are not so popular there as in Austria or

Russia, they are gaining ground in the

lominions of Emperor William every day.

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lief, and being recommended to try a bot-

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tendered a check to the

secording to its idea of a proper settlement

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crease almost indefinitely."

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for cavalry service," the speaker continued,

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with American mounts.

European horse markets.

There is one business that has not yet been crushed by the war, and that is the

export trade in horses. In fact Europeans are buying more American horses than ever, if anything, and it now seems probable that more than half of the old No Frills About Them and Officers world's cavalry will ultimately be supplied and Men Know Their Business-They Won't Be Happy With-European faith in the American horse out a Spanish Muss.

thing, relates the New York Press. It was born of the slump in horseflesh on this side cle booms. Before that, American prices menting the side of one of three tourists' were invariably too high for the European sleeping coaches which were attached to the records to be proud of, and who have in pocket, but then the surplus of horses soon Louisville & Nashville train which passed them the stuff that heroes are made of. became so great as to cut prices two or through New Orleans bound for Tampa a three times in half, reducing them below few days ago. the European figures in fact. This encouraged buyers from abroad, and heavy Johnson, acting agent for the quartermas- are there to fight, not as posers, and the shipments of horses soon began. It was ter's department of the United States army. fighting can't begin any too soon to suit He seems to have a constitution impervious not long after the first consignment of They were ninety-four in number, relates them.

American beasts to the other side before the New Orleans Picayune, and if appeartheir sterling qualities were fully recog- ances go for anything they could "lick manded by a man for whom he has the renized, and today they are among the most double their weight in wildcats or Span- spect born of superiority. And in Colonel popular animals offered in any of the great lards," for a tougher lot of men never met Grigsby they have a man in whom that retogether than these self-styled "Terrors." Regular sales of avowedly American stimulants and tobacco. This may not seem horses are held in London, Liverpool, Glas- worse than their deeds, for with all their filled with adventure. At the close of the remarkable, but, considering the fact that gow, Brussels, Vienna, Berlin, Bologna, and roughness and apparent savagery there was civil war, through which he fought with disdrinking in South Africa is synonomous many minor cities. In truth few horse a current of mischief and fun underlying tinction, he went to Dakota and grew up ern high-power guns, can stand off on the auctions are now held anywhere in Europe their actions. That they would fight there with the country. He has seen it in its at which American animals are not of-Nearly 70,000 horses were sent abroad from daring or brave act and they were all typi- attorney general of South Dakota. the United States last year. Of these, 42,- cal frontiersmen, such as were the ploneer 070 were shipped from this port alone, and of civilization in America from the days of The object of his visit to that remote are unique. He dislikes civilization. He at the present rate the total shipments from the old Bay State down to the present time. New York will be larger this year than last. These men, who had left their homes in the "Most of the horses shipped here," said a mountains of Arizona to serve their country man who is intimately connected with the as expert packers, had most of them been export trade in horses to the writer, without the confines of civilization for so "are sent through two well known stables, many years that they had forgotten nearly one located in the borough of Manhat- all about it, and living, as they were, in the tan and the other across the river in lands of the murderous Apaches, whose Hoboken. Seven thousand went from the treachery and bloodthirstiness is so well Hoboken stable last year and 26,270 from known, they practically carried their lives the one in Manhattan, while 8,800 were sent in their hands almost all the time. They are from the scattering stables or put aboard inured to hardship and danger and all of ship direct from the cars as they came from them can well be classed as expert with either the rifle, the pistol or (almost equally "At the present time shipments are going dangerous) the lasso, for each and every one forward in greater numbers and with greater of them was a master at the cowboy's art of steadiness than ever before. Regularly on "roping," as was amply demonstrated dur-

> They were of all shades of complexion. rom the blue-eyed, fair-haired blonde to the dark-skinned halfbreed. There were white men, most of them ranging in age from 45 to 60 years, but all tall, straight, stalwart active men, whose bronzed complexions and lithe, supple steps betrayed a life of activity in the free open air. Then there were young men, none of them, however, under 25 years and these were stout, strong, and athletic in build, and to all appearances giants in strength. There were Mexicans among them, of slighter build, but wiry and agile as the panther. There were Apache and their seats, apparently indifferent to the ther Indians, sitting sullen and morose in trange scenes by which they were surounded, stoical and disinclined to indulge what they no doubt considered the "boy's lay" of their white comrades. There were nulattoes, tall, slender specimens of man hood, with determined faces and physically dants. There were halfbreeds, and these altogether went to make up one of the most neterogeneous crowds of men that ever was seen in this city. Nearly all of them word the Mexican sombrero, with the gaudy silver trimmings, and leather bands, while cartridge belts strapped around their waists were all that went to make up anything like

ing even the few moments they spent in this

uniform among these rough men. The Controlling Spirit. Although without discipline, yet there was one controlling spirit among them, and his possible to get them. Creech is the only bought out a jewelry store, distributing the lately been playing especial attention to Some of them had been cowpunchers, others these points, and if the good work is con- had been traders among the savage tribes ride for his life. At the end of one of Arizona and Mexico. Some were miners try for European cavalry horses is sure to others ranchers, prospectors, mountaineers, the mountainous districts whence they came. It was this very qualification, which all possessed, that caused the government to en list their services. In Cuba much of the inland traffic, especially in the mountains, is done by means of mules, which carry al the freight into the interior. In an attack upon the island of Cuba by the land forces of the United States, the services of these men will be indispensable, and it was for this purpose that their services were en Then, again, every one of these gaged. men is a born fighter, and nothing would meet their ideas of fun more than a scrim nage with the Spaniards. One of the men speaking to a comrade, said yesterday, when he subject of fighting was broached You bet, the boys are all scrappers. Those Spaniards are easy. They ain't like Apaches and I guess we can get away with about ten times our number. Why, them greasers would be scared to death to have a dozen Apaches jump up out of the ground, as has

happened to us time and again." Another said that he would bet that he would come home with at least six Spanish scalps in his belt. With all this the men were in jolly good humor, and in their rough, incouth way enjoyed themselves while the train stopped at the head of Canal street for a few moments to take on the regular passengers. Nearly every one of the men had a lariat or lasso and with those they were amusing themselves catching dogs or occasionally "roping" one another. Once one of them threw the coil of his rope around a newsboy, who screamed at the top of his voice at the unceremonious proceedings. Others caught up youngsters who hung about he train and pretended to be about to take them along with them. The more the boy would struggle and scream the greater would be the enjoyment of the terrors. As dog catchers the terrors were eminent sucesses, and many was the unhappy canine that was roped by them. When the train first reached the station at the head of Canal street a full-bearded man, wearing a huge white sombrero with a zarape swung over his shoulders, sprang from the platform with a whoop and a yell which would have done credit to a full-blooded Comanche warrior. He swung his hat about him and in a jiffy

host of these wild-looking men were leaping from the platform or out through the around them. One of the "Terrors," having had a surof Becbee, Tombstone, Tucson and Benson Tampa, from whence they expected to go to were nearly all of them in good circumand they refused to enlist. When, however, the call for their services came, and they found that they could all go together, they

REAL TERRORS TO THE FRONT an opportunity to get into the fighting, is coasts against the entire pany of Great would have rendered it impossible for other exactly what they seem to be.

Colonel Milt Grigsby's troop of volunteer Indian fighters, and all are imbued with an

Intense patriotism. There are no valets in the camp of Colonel golf sticks and pole clubs to be kept in order. The society reporter would pass this camp "The Real Terrors of Arlzona," "Teddy of plainsmen by with a sniff of disdain. And Ain't in It," was the tenor of a placard orna- yet there are men there, from the colonel down to the most obscure trooper, who have

There are no pampered sons of the rich in this outfit. These men do not look upon The "Terrors" were in charge of Mr. C. A. their enlistment as a holiday jaunt. They

Your true westerner can only be comspect is very deep rooted. Although com-Their appearance was, however, a great deal paratively a young man, his life has been

"The Smoked Yank."

During the civil war he was once a prisoner at Andersonville and twice a prisoner at the equally horrible prison pen at Florence, S. C. On both occasions he escaped, being recaptured the first time after having spent thirty-five days in the swamps. His sobriquet, "the Smoked Yank." was given him after he reached Sherman's army, because of his grimy face, the result of long exposure and the soot of many solitary campfires in the wilderness. At the his experiences, which he called "The Smoked Yank."

The regiment is officered by men all of whom have made names for themselves in the west. Lieutenant Colonel Floyd of a ship is able to go around the world. It is Helena, Mont., is a graduate of West Point, who has passed through many exciting indian campaigns. Major Leigh H. French, he senior major of the regiment, is a Washngton surgeon, but he has spent most of his life in the west. During the last few years. however, he has been hunting big game in the jungles of Africa.

Captain Jack Foster, Captain Joseph Binder and Captain Bullock command respectively Troops A. B and C. All have records as fighters and all have been terrors to the evil-doers of the early days. Captai Bullock is one of the best known men of the northwest. His record had preceded him and he was made the first sheriff of Lawrence county. "When I first went to Deadwood," remarked Captain Bullock the other day, "they killed about one man a day in street fights and no one was ever punshed. When I got through with my second term not more than one man was killed in week."

One of the first and most notorious case of lynch trial occurred about the time Cap tain Bullock came over the trail from Mor tana. This was the trial and acquittal of "Jack" McCall for the killing of "Wild Bullock had not yet obtained his commission as sheriff and he did not inter fere in the trial, which was conducted in the open street. There was no doubt about the killing of "Wild Bill" by McCall, but the murderer told a story of wrongs done him by "Wild Bill" and the jury decided to let him go, provided he could escape the

mob. They took him up to the head of the gulch mounted him on a horse and told him to every man in the camp would commence shooting at him. It is needless to say that but all of them thoroughly understood the McCail made fast time and turned a bend in art of packing goods upon the "burros" or the read just as a hundred rifles cracked mules used as freight transports entirely in at the end of the specified time. Since that time Bullock has been identified with Deadwood as one of its leading citizens.

WORK OF THE MONITORS.

Their Usefulness Receiving Practical In view of the conspicuous part taken by monitors in blockading and in bombardments in the West Indies and the work cut out for the Monterey and Monadnock in the Philippines, it is well to recall the enthus iastic commendation of this class of fighting ships given by Rear Admiral Jouett at the the Monitor Puritan was launched. What he says of the Puritan applies to all ships of the class. He said:

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that is to say as high as an ordinary house. Who is the greatest living authority on montor ten miles, taking into consideration the is, that she stands too high out of the water; can even come within eight of her

"A few such vessels as the Puritan would her possessions, but merely to drive her could not be the least doubt, for each and most lawless days. For twenty-five years fourteen miles, and plunk shot and shell into the Monadnock and the Terror. The Puritan, every one of them had a record for some he has resided in the state, and is at present us? Excellent preparations have been made with a displacement of 6,000 tons, is much

thing impossible. Protected by such defenders, the great American metropolis would sea; its billions of dollars' worth of propconclusion of the war he wrote a book of crty would not be imperiled, and there need be no alarm lest the city be laid under contribution by a foreign invader.

"In a vessel like the Puritan we have not merely an engine for harbor defense. Such the staunchest type of craft that floats, and nothing can sink it. The suggestion has been made that such monitors could not fight their guns in a seaway; but no notion could be more absurd. Admiral Bunce not long the mediation of his holiness when the opago took the Monterey, an inferior vessel portune moment arrives, with the object of of similar type, out into the ocean with the | concluding a peace with the United States. deliberate purpose of looking for a storm. The nuncio declares, however, that at pres-He went through two big gales, and his ship floated like a duck on the water, and was is bound to continue the war.

built, and she can whip any war craft affoat found that he could pass the bar of the Columbla river when merchant steamers did

war vessels to cast loose their guns. He not dare to make the attempt, and that not as pretty as Roosevelt's pets. They are because she sits so low in the water. On without the slightest discomfort. In a word, big, bronzed fellows, every one a born horse- that account she cannot be seen actually at | we have in the Puritan an unequaled float-"Did you ever see a pine chip and a hickthe plains. Many of them have records as the edge of a visiting card at fifty paces ory chip floating near together on troubled with a pistol bullet. Not the strongest bat- water? It so, you will have noticed that

tleship could withstand the blows delivered the rine chip bobbed about on the crest of simultaneously from her four great twelve- every wave, while the heavy hickory chip ritan type corresponds to the hickory chip; "What can a whole fleet of ordinary war though the waves break over it, no trouble vessels do against a powerfully armed as- results. It is an air tank hermetically tagonist that is practically invulnerable? sealed, and it cannot sink. There is no ques-The average cruiser or battleship towers lion of its 'turning turtle' and going to the twenty-five or thirty feet above the water- bottom like a battleship. Admiral Bunch, She is an easy target at a distance of eight tors, says that the only fault of the Puritan accuracy of modern gunnery. The Puritan, | she might as well be nearly flush with the on the other hand, shows only thirty inches surface. Many years ago be commanded above the water line. She presents no tar- one of the old monitors, and he found that get, while she is able to "plug" the high the lower the vessel was sunk in the water freeboard vessels every time before they by taking on extra coal, the steadler it was, "We do not wish to invade England or

be infinitely more effective for coast defense fleets from our shores in case they should purpose than the best possible fort. You attack us, This we could accomplish with may have as many forts and guns along the case if only we had a few more such vescoast as you please, but what good are they sels as the Puritan. The Puritan, as you as long as hostile ships armed with mod- know, is almost finished. We have five other modern double-turreted monitors-the ocean at a distance of ten miles, or even Miantonomoh, the Amphitrite, the Monterey, for the protection of the harbor of New York | the largest of the six. Next comes the Monfrom the land, but they are not likely to terey, of 4,800 tons. The remaining four are be efficient as long as the enemy's fleet can | 3,900 tons each. These vessels will doubtless pause at a safe distance outside of Sandy out a large figure in a war with England, in Hook and cast explosives upon the Island of case such a misfortune should eventuate. All of these monitors are powerfully armed-"That this might be done without difficulty the Puritan carrying four twelve-inch rifles. there is no possible doubt; but a half dozen the Monterey two twelve-inch and two tenships like the Puritan would render such a Inch, and the Amphitrite, Miantonomoh and Terror four ten-inch each. In addition to these great guns, each of the monitors is be absolutely safe against any attack by equipped with rapid-fire and machine guns. The Amphitrite, Miantonomoh and the Monterey are in commission; the other three are carly finished."

POPE WILL BE ASKED TO MEDIATE.

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