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NEEDS OF THE NAVY SET OUT

Secretary Bonaparte to Forward His Annual Report to Congress.

TWO NEW BATTLESHIPS RECOMMENDED

Legislation Asked to Punish Discrimination Against Enlisted Men by Owners of Amusement and Other Places.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The annual report of Secretary of the Navy Bonaparte was submitted to congress today. It is, in part, as follows:

This general board has been the object of much unjust and unbecoming criticism, owing, it would seem, partly to the exaggerated expectations which its organization, and, perhaps, to a not very happily chosen name. If it had been styled "The War Board," a more accurate idea would have been conveyed of its appropriate province. Experience has shown that serious questions which shall, in time of peace, mature plans for all possible contingencies, and in time of war, whether active service on an expeditionary scale is required of the navy, shall be prepared to advise in the most efficient manner, and in the most judicious manner, the efficiency of a navy of the size of ours. The general board is of the opinion that the duties to the entire satisfaction of the department, and though, fortunately, no opportunity has yet been afforded to test its efficiency in actual warfare, experience in connection with minor active operations has been most instructive as to its value.

The Naval Academy.

The enactment of the statute authorizing the secretary of the navy to dismiss midshipmen from the academy and to suspend the punishment and procedure in cases of "misconduct" has been a most important one, enabled the superintendent, with the support of the department, to deal rationally and effectively with the numerous breaches of discipline, and it is believed that the first-mentioned practice is practically if not wholly extinct at least for the moment. Moreover, the action of the department in holding out the opportunity for early graduation as an incentive to hard study and consequent high marks in the most important subjects, has raised the standard of scholarship and promoted worthy and sensible ideas among the undergraduates. It is the opinion of the board that the academy should maintain discipline and inculcate a wholesome military spirit among young men chosen as the midshipmen and, as they do from all sections of the country, and all classes of the community, it is a source of gratification to the department, as well as of credit to the academy, that the academic board, that conditions in the academy have improved so notably within the past twelve months.

Enlisted Personnel.

In my last annual report I described an altogether at variance with the facts an impression which prevails in some quarters and seems to be deliberately fostered to obtain recruits for the navy. It is a report of an aversion to military service on the part of our population which, in fact, the navy was not then, and is not even now, recruited to its full strength, as allowed by law, but as explained in that report, this fact is due to the stringency of its requirements and not to the lack of applicants, only such out of every class or four of the latter being accepted as a recruit. A further reason for its being below its standard in numbers was then, in my opinion, the insufficient attention which had been given to the subject. During the past year greater pains have been taken to advertise the merits of the navy, and the results have been, on the whole, decidedly gratifying. As shown in reports of the bureau of navigation, there has been a marked increase in the number of applicants, and there is good reason to suppose that before the end of the year the navy will have reached its legal limit of strength in view of these facts and of the urgent necessity for more men on properly man ships which must go into commission within the next twelve months. I hope the complete restoration of the strength requested by the bureau of navigation.

Skeleton in Excavated.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Dec. 6.—Special Telegram.—While engaged in excavating for a private ice house at his home just northwest of the city today, Charles H. Halsted unearthed the perfectly preserved skeleton of a man. The body had evidently been buried in a box many years ago. Whether it was done before the city had a cemetery or whether there was foul play will probably always remain a mystery.

Schmitts and Bent Arraigned.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—Mayor Schmitts and Abraham Bent were arraigned in Judge Dunne's court today on charges of extortion found against them by the grand jury. Their attorneys made an effort to have the time for taking the plea postponed.

Battleship Designs.

In accordance with the proviso attached to the appropriation bill, the plans for the battleship authorized by the said bill are, simultaneously with this report, transmitted to congress. These plans were selected by a board of officers, the president of the assistant secretary, after a very careful consideration of various designs submitted by the type vessel constructed in the United States and one in England and by the board on construction of the department. The type vessel authorized has a length of 510 feet. In the language of the board: "It will carry a heavy armor and a powerful armament, and is known vessel of its class; it will have a speed which is believed to be the highest practicable for a vessel of this type and class, in the present state of knowledge; it will have the highest practicable radius of action, and can be built within the limit of cost fixed by the act of congress."

Increase of the Navy.

In my last annual report I stated that "the aggregate of our battleships, armored cruisers, and coast-defense vessels built, building, or authorized, would seem, according to present indications, sufficient to provide for the necessities of our navy within the limits of probability." When this statement was made the facts seemed to justify an assumption, at least tentatively, that the foreign navies with which it is material to compare our own had, in general, reached the limit of extension contemplated, and there appeared to some persons a fair prospect that some portion of our armaments at that time, some limitation to their indefinite increase, might result from the contemplated Hague conference.

Without sharing the last mentioned expectation, I yet deemed that I could then safely speak as I did, but without going into detailed explanations, which are necessary and might be considered, in my duty now to report to you and to the congress that, in my judgment, circumstances have so far changed as to make provision for a moderate increase in the effective fighting strength of our navy a part of patriotic foresight at present. I recommend, therefore, that, as such as may be practicable at this session, the congress authorize the construction of a sister ship to the one already authorized and of which the plans are now submitted, so that, by simply duplicating these plans and the further detailed specifications and drawings which they are supplemented, we can have two vessels of this class completed within the time which would otherwise be needed for the construction of only one.

The secretary goes at considerable depth into the armor plate contracts, showing that despite the criticisms made, it had resulted in the creation of another plant for its manufacture, and a reduction in price below any figures previously obtained.

New Vessels.

The views of the general board and the board on construction with regard to new vessels to be recommended for authorization at the present session, meaning it in my substantial opinion, meaning it in my duty to give congress the benefit of my views of both boards in detail, and following the precedent established last year, I submit them as follows:

GENERAL BOARD.

Unit cost.	Total cost.
Two battleships.....	\$10,000,000
Two scout cruisers.....	2,000,000
Four destroyers.....	8,000,000
Four six" motor torpedoes.....	2,000,000

pedo boats.....	30,000	120,000
One river gunboat of 315 tons.....	600,000	600,000
Two small gunboats.....	25,000	50,000
Two second-class river gunboats.....	80,000	160,000
Two squadron colliers.....	1,200,000	2,400,000
One ammunition vessel to carry 2,000 tons dead weight, to have same speed as squadron colliers.....	1,200,000	1,200,000
Approximate total.....	\$2,900,000	\$5,900,000

THE BOARD OF CONSTRUCTION.

Unit cost.	Total cost.
Two battleships.....	\$9,000,000
One ammunition vessel.....	1,200,000
Two second-class river gunboats.....	100,000
Four destroyers.....	800,000
Two squadron colliers.....	2,000,000
One river gunboat.....	600,000
Two small gunboats.....	50,000
Gunboats.....	100,000
Total.....	\$13,000,000

COST OF MAINTAINING SHIPS

Battleship Ohio Most Expensive Craft in United States Navy.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—It cost \$19,641,749 to keep the ships of Uncle Sam's navy in commission during the last fiscal year, according to the annual report of the Paymaster General H. T. Harris. The battleship Ohio was the most expensive craft, for it cost to put it in commission and keep it in service for the twelve months \$74,745. The armored cruiser Colorado was also a costly ship, \$51,667 having been expended on it during the fiscal year. Admiral Schley's old flagship, the Brooklyn, cost \$39,833 to keep in commission for one year. The cruiser Baltimore of Manila bay fame required the expenditure of \$28,681 to keep it in active service and the cruiser Chicago, "Hull," cost \$27,794 to keep afloat and on active duty.

The battleship Iowa, on which Admiral Evans, then captain, engaged in the battle off Santiago, required the expenditure of \$28,681 during the fiscal year, and Captain Clark's famous old Oregon cost for maintenance \$29,432. The new armored cruiser Pennsylvania cost more than \$50,000 to commission, and ran last year, the Texas cost \$28,681, and the triple-turret cruiser Minneapolis \$28,552. Its elder ship Columbia, which has been doing much cruising in connection with trips to Panama and in landing the army of Cuban pacification, cost \$28,523.

CUT GLASS.—Fresner, 15th and Dodge.

SPORTS OF A DAY.

FOOT BALL HAD BIG ATTENDANCES

Some figures that show game is still popular.

The boxing game in Omaha is arousing interest in the sport all over this section of the country. The management of the Athletic club to see that the game is kept above reproach and that the public is not misled. Such affairs as one which was pulled off a while ago, when one of the prize-fighters failed to appear and a lesser light was substituted, does the game no good.

The Big Nine conference relaxed on some of the rules for foot ball. Some of the changes are:

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The demands of business life and the obligations to home, family and society require the exercise of the highest faculties in the gift of nature. Disease impairs the intellectual powers as well as the physical strength, uniting the victim for the highest duties and pleasures of life.

George P. Barnard of Royalton, Minn., was suspended for the same offense and the gray gelding "Walter" was awarded to J. M. Sullivan, president, and J. A. Whitaker, secretary of the Vanluren Trotting association of Vanluren, Ind., were reinstated.

The Haskell of Towanda, Pa., was ordered expelled from the association for the alleged unlawful handling of a horse named "Dan Hinchey" at Bay City and Grand Rapids.

WITH THE BOWLERS.

The Store Blue Ribbons won two games of the Hamiltons last night in the hardest match they have had this season. It was hard luck for the Bluffs boys to have their game against the year come against a 2,000 total. In the second, when they put up 1,013, the Store team broke the record by rolling 1,111, but they stuck to it and won the last. No individual total was unusually high, but the lowest of the team rolled 25. Cochran was top man, with a total of 62 and a single game of 28. Tomlin, Dan Omlund and Cudahy finish the week. Scores:

HAMILTONS.	1st.	2d.	3d.	Tot.
Frush.....	198	221	171	590
Rompke.....	170	216	201	587
Light.....	178	259	21	638
Nicoll.....	183	189	208	580
Pickering.....	192	211	184	587
Totals.....	921	1,019	983	2,923

STORZ BLUE RIBBONS.

1st.	2d.	3d.	Tot.	
Fritscher.....	182	233	188	603
Cochran.....	202	256	172	630
Hartley.....	198	218	186	602
Francisco.....	188	194	203	585
Anderson.....	196	202	202	600
Totals.....	964	1,111	960	2,035

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AT THE PLAY HOUSES.

"The Merry Wives of Windsor" at the Boyd.

Louis James and company in "The Merry Wives of Windsor," a comedy in five acts, by William Shakespeare. The cast: Sir John Falstaff.....Louis James Justice Shallow.....William Chrystie Miller Shleider.....Horace London Mr. Ford.....Norman Hackett Mr. Page.....Nathan Aronson Sir Hugh Evans.....Henry F. Maurice Bardolph.....C. D. Burt Pistol.....Arthur Young Nym.....George W. Ward John.....Emil Jones A. Village.....Evelyn Jones John.....Charles A. Brown Robert.....Frank G. Master Mrs. Ford.....Charlotte Lambert Anne Page.....Lillian Lambaster Mistress Quickly.....Nellie McHenry

Louis James' worthy presentation of Shakespeare's delightful comedy, "The Merry Wives of Windsor," was given a cordial reception at the Boyd last evening, albeit the audience was not as large as the offering merited. Those who did attend, however, were quick to appreciate the artistic presentation of this fine old comedy of trash and nature, and of which comedy and his companion players prove equal to the depths of satire and rich humor written by the immortal bard of Avon.

As the jealous husband Norman Hackett justified the placing of his name in large type on the program, while Nellie McHenry, whose first appearance last evening elicited a warm reception from old friends,

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