institutions. The "Wayffalo, N. Y., shelters tempor-inds work for, hundreds of otherwise would be on the door open to them. One features of the work is nd cure of inebriates, car-Dr. R. A. Gann, of New have come to this worker neartfelt thanks at hav-

GETTING READY

FOR TENDERFEET

Dawsonites Said To Be Staking Out

All Sorts of Claims for Sale

in the Spring.

Price of Meals in the Yukon City Has

Fallen From Five Dollars to

Half That Figure.

(Jeaquin Miller in the San Francisco Ex-

The Examiner Cabin, Klondike Mines,

February 5, 1898.—The wildest exciten

ment prevails here, and has prevailed

for the past ten days. The Bonanza has

been staked for quartz mines all the

way from 65 below, which is only three

above this cabin, to nearly the f the creek, about 20 miles away.

brado had been quietly staked to the same extent a week or so ago. what has been found? I do not

I only know that not a single tunnel or excavation of any sort

en made. I know that all quartz

been made. I know that an quartz oppings, or rock of any sort, is at casons buried under, a great thick of moss, from one to three feet that a frozen muck or glacier five to fifty feet deep lies under the it all times, and that at this writ-

there lies about three feet of snow

bi the moss. Bowie, of California, a man

nining, and the best man we

z mining, and the best math we in here, says that much fock has brought to him to be rested for but that nothing at all worth men-g has been found. I also know Canadian official here of high au-

thority, in his report to his governme

perhaps the richest in the world, will be found here in the spring, neither Col-

frozen ground and moss and muck, and the mercury at 50 below zero, it is

simply comical to see the stampedes go-

now.

old and reliable

Mr. Kreling, who went on a two days' excursion to Bonanza and El Dorado for the purpose of getting at the bot-

for the purpose of getting at the bot tom of the quartz stampede, if bottom there is, has just go back, bringing with him Shiff Mitchell, one of the big owners of the El Dorado. Mitchell says that

rado claims. The richest of these was \$700 taken in three pans of dirt from a claim at the mouth of French gulch. This is a very long gulch and is staked from one end to the other, but nothing

of great importance has been found above the first few claims. Mitchell—an

Bowie nor any one else that I know doubts for a moment. But with the

that a

his report to his government, sent out, will warn all his

beware of "wildcat" compan-

gold scales

ed back to an upright life. he police regularly send to ions cases of first offence, sing with a reprimand", and sending to jail does while the workers in p the Brotherhood League, culprits with brotherly mpathy, nearly always suc ing them again on the right

have the real interests of their hearts are invited to Harding's lecture on "Uniotherhood.' Admission

ERVED A GOLD MEDAL.

as he was by long years of it with the criminal classes, ate shuddered as he listened ble details of the brutal murch the prisoner was charged. terly impossible that a man dent refinement' and good een guilty of such atroci-says Judge. Yet there Savs doubt of his guilt. A hun-es testified to the facts in the were, in brief, as follows: erer and his victim sat side a swell musicale. There had arrel, nor had anything ocow that there was the slight between the two men. Sudit a word of warning. ng to his feet, and felled the ground with a blow of his anyone could interfere he the head of the prostrate man, head with the heels of his continued to kick and beat body until the bystanders

er showed no signs of reall this testimony was being seemed rather to glory in his sionally, however, his face zled expression, as though he ember something. ad finished examining the he judge turned to the ac asked him whether he had av in his own behalf. replied the prisoner, "I bt that these witnesses have ruth. I know most of them and am sure that they would a lie. All that remains for o explain the reason for this. seems so horrible to you. vhom I am accused of killing ne at the musicale. I had him before in my life, but talking to me in spite of the hinted very strongly that I hear the music. He would hear the music. He would t, however, and I tried to enchatter with Christian forti-ward the middle of the prowas announced that Herr Signor Hinote would favor us . This was one of the num-come especially to hear, and to enjoy it when my neighbor r and whispered: 'Duet, eh! I they would dare do it back on 'the idiot, and contemper as best I could. well have gone home, for my enjoyment was spoiled. If I so I would not now be here. someone else would have to ny place last evening, and the build probably have been the r the duet Miss Screecher was . Again that fiend in human d toward me. I guessed what and tried to head him off. "I hope," said he, with "an



by Kreling from the wall back of CUT RATE BILL OF FARE. Open all Night. Maine Court of Inquiry Report Submitted-Speculation as to

Admiral Sıcard Says the Explosion Was the Most Peculiar That Now, this means a lot to us in here, Ever Occurred.

Its Decision.

whatever it may mean to you outside. It means that the climax of all dreadest ills is behind us. The Rubicon is crossed and there is a tinge of spring, a pulse of cheer and horn and nealth in this Key West, March 22 .- The United of cheer and hope and health in this "cut rate." The panic about short ra-tions is done with. States court of inquiry into the loss of the Maine has at last finished its laborious work of investigation and submit-I have nothing to record against Dawted its report to Admiral Sicard. He has son's morals of Dawson's well meaning. In trath, Dawson is the best behaved mining town I ever saw. If we except. pointed out some alterations which he considers necessary and the report will the mob who wanted to sack the place last fall, a mob that passed on and away probably be taken to Washington to-day by Lieutenant Commander Marix, judge

as suddenly as it came, and for which the town is in no wise answerable, Daw-son has always been as quiet and order-ly as any old town to be found any-where in the world. Just think of it in comparison with the early mining towns adyocate of the court. It is possible, however, that its arrival in Washington may be delayed sev-

ly as any old town to be found any-where in the world. Just think of it in comparison with the early mining towns of California. Idaho. Montana—not a fight, not a single person shot or cut or hurt in any way, except by accident? Such a thing was never heard of in a mining camp before, and Dawson is built in a marsh is winter, that thoughtful men the spring you ever heard of. If may surprise yoa to learn that al-ready, now that we have about tided over the threatened terrors of starva-tion for this winter, that thoughtful men

Bowie, of California, a man in the best mining schools of a man of wide experience in with concern to the next But it will refugees in Tampa is very great," said Mr. Barton. "Of course we will do what we can for them." clusions drawn from a remark made by Sicard last night, when he said to a with concern to the next. But it will clearly indicate how serious is the quescorrespondent: "The case of the Maine is the most

peculiar which has ever occurred in the history of the world." From the general tone of his remarks tion of food supplies at all times in this ice-bound corner of the earth. For ex-

ample. Captain Constantine, the head of the Canadian Mounted Police, "has al-ready filed his orders for next winter's it might be inferred that the court's find-ings do not definitely solve the mystery of the explosion. This is further borne out by the admiral's statement that even ready filed his orders for next white s. rations with the Alaska Commercial Company. Captain Constantine is the oldest and first officer here, and knows well what he is about. His action shows clearly that all the talk about a Can-adian railroad reaching the head waters of the Yukan in time to send in sumfiles after the report had been sent to Wash-ton, the department may require further

positively that no quartz ledges have as yet been even prospected. I have no warning to give. I am not an official—only a hired man sent in here to stay on the ground and give the facts. That ends my duty and the people can do as they like in the light f it. That quartz mines, and groat

here from Tortugas islands and is an-chored beside the battleship Iowa and the cruiser New York, six miles from shore.

New York, March 22 .- The Mail and Express prints to-day a special from its correspondent at Key West, in which are the following statements: The report of the Maine court of in-quiry in possession of Lieutenant Muir and Guard Orderly McCaley, was at 8:45 this morning brought ashore from

ther into Canadian territory who cannot clearly pronounce the word shiboleth. In other words, the man who has not his half tons of supplies in his boat with him will be turned back. Now, I have safe-keeping, and was carried direct to the hotel for final approval of Admiral In which be tarled back. Now, I have not this from the lips of any officer, and I know how impatient is Captain Con-stantine in being quoted, or even antici-pated in his utterances, but I take the Sicard.

o'clock. It is Washington. a negation, that nothing at all has been found outside of some very rich pans of rotten quartz, found in little seams that run through the bedrock in rich El Do-rado claims. The richest of these was \$700 taken in three pans of dirt from a responsibility of saying here once for all, no matter who says the contrary, that Lieutenant Julgnong and Passed As-istant Engineer Bowers, both attached sistant to the Maine, were instructed last night to hold themselves in readiness ta ac-company the judge advocate to Wash-ington as marke

The report, leaving here this after-noon on the steamer City of Key West, will reach Jacksonville to-morrow even-

ITS LABOR FINISHED Saturday last. The Almy carried a crew of 17 and 24 passengers, none of whom have yet been heard from. CUBAN RELIEF SUPPLIES.
Considers War Inevitable.
Canaries in obedience to the demand of McKinley. Captain Eulate, of the Viz-it out, aside from the element of anger it on the spanish authorities. Considers War Inevitable.

Cripple Creek, Colo., March 22.—In an interview here Hoa. D. L. Sloper, speak-er of the lower house of the Ohio legis-lature and a personal friend of President Rich Idaho Placers Stumbled on by Ac-cident. Thousands of Tons of Provisions Ready New York, March 22 .- The central Cu-

New York, March 22.—The central Cu-ban relief gives notice that no shipment of Cuban relief supplies should be made to gulf ports. The Plant system of ships 7 sailing from Savinnah, Ga., and Tampa, Fla., will furnish free transportation, but these vessels can carry only supplies or-iginating on the line of the Plant system of railroads. All other shipments from any other part of the United States should be consigned to the Cuban Cen-tral Relief Company, at New York. The committee requests all shippers to give notice before shipments are made. The committee has decided to charter a vessel of not less than 2,000 tons to take 2,000 tons of commed and 200 tons McKinley, said: "I consider war with Spain inevitable. "I consider war with Spain inevitable. The matter has gone so far that diplomacy cannot avert a combat. The struggle will probably be very short. Cuba will be freed, the United States will get what-ever indemnity she has, demanded and that will end the matter. "Ye to the provident being on the years

for Shipment.

Is the Cause Sufficient.

"As to the president being on the verge of a mental breakdown, I do not believe it. I was in Washington and had a long talk with Mr. McKinley less than two weeks ago, and there was no sign of any weakness on his part. He will not break down. a vessel of not less than 2,000 tons to take 2,000 tons of commeal and 200 tons of bacon to Cuba within 10 days from Saturday last. The supplies have been purchased in that city during the week.

The receipts daily are now so large that the committee has opened a ware-house at To, 4S Ferry street, and here the goods are carefully examinel, re-packed and arranged in shipments and then forwarded to the various American of adequate defence for the great commercial and manufacturing interests of this city should war be declared has been pointed out emphatically and the deci-sion to use a portion of the \$50,000,000

sion to use a portion of the \$50,000,000 appropriated by congress to add to the coast defences, by continuing work on fortifications affords much pleasure to the corps of engineers in charge of the work about the harbor of New York. The construction of additional means of defence at Forts Hamilton and Han-cock, upon which depends the reception of a hostile fleet that might attempt to force its way up the Narrows, is in charge, of Lieut.-Col. William Ludlow. Colonel Ludlow said: "We are glad, indeed, that a portion of the \$50,000,000 is to be used to go on

the \$50,000,000 is to be used to go on with constructing coast defences. Instead New York, March 22.—In his address at the meeting of the Methodist preach-ers, in the Methodist Book Concern building last night, Bishop J. M. Walden touched upon the Cuban question. He caid is part. of waiting for the regular appropriation, we will have the benefit of the emergen-cy fund. While we regret our share of it is not large, we are glad to be able to go on with our work at Forts Hamilton said in part: "I do not think that the Latin race, and Hancock now, just as we are completing what the previous appropriation allowed us to do. It enables us to do the work more satisfactorily and keep our men together.

"The future work will be a continuance of the plans long ago prepared for defending this harbor, with modern ord-nance. We do not expect to make use of the ground secured several years ago adjoining the Fort Hamilton reservation answer every purpose. It would make Spain responsible, Meanwhile Cuba would learn how to govern herself." as a site for a mortar battery, as there are not funds enough for this purpose allowed at the present time.

"Neither will we make any use of the site for a mortar battery on Plumb island between Sheepshead bay and Barren island, which was purchased at the same time.

"Nothing has been done so far as I know in regard to the erection of a mortar battery or any other means of de-fence on the western end of Rockaway beach. The government owns no site

"This country is well enough equipped for war with Spain, Argentina or any other second class power. But in case of war with a first-class power such as we call ourselves, where would we be?

"We do not want to have to call upon following statement was given out from the navy to defend our seaports, but we the navy to detend our seaports, but we should have harbors so well defended that vessels cannot put into them for supplies and then sail out again to annoy and harass the enemy. We have more than 1,000 miles of unprotected sea coast, but warships will not shell a comparatively barren coast. "Such places as Atlantic City and

Some of the Items of Interest Gathered During a Tour of the Hotels. Yesterday in one of the hotels a little crowd of travellers were whiling, away an hour or so in conversation, when the talk turned upon the subject of losses

An old prospector tells the story of the first days of mining in Idaho which sounds like a romance, but which he vouches for as being strictly true, and which agrees with the story frequently told by the late Judge Craig, of Douglas County, who was one of the party that staked off the first claims in Idaho. "The first find of placer gold in Idaho," said the old pioneer, "was made early in 1862 by Jim Warren, a prospector,

weakness on his part. He will not break lown." RUSHING DEFENCES. Work on New York Fortifications Pro-gressing Rapidly. New York, March 22.—The importance New York, March 22.—The importance soon afterwards a disagreement arose and Warren left the party to go it alone. After two or three days he camped one evening on the stream now known as Warren Creek, and there be-

known as Warren Creek, and there be-ing fair indications, the next day was spent-ine prospecting. Panning seven pans of dirt he saved that proceeds; and taking samples of the diarts owent, back to Florence, where the gold was weighed and found to be worth 70 cents, or 10 cents to the pan. This was not a big thing in those days, but led to the expectation of better strikes and an expedition of 16 men was formed to investigate the new find. On their way to Warren Creek they came their way to Warren Creek they came across Warren's four companions from whom he had parted several days previ-ously. They were "tin-horns" and poor prospectors, and had been unsuccessful. Seeing Warren with the crowd they con-oluded that he had made a good strike and followed him. Warren and bis friends, not caring to share the discovery with the men, resorted to a ruse to throw them off the scent, and spent sevfrom the war of secession, which had been recently heard of. The four gamblers, being nearly out of provisions, were frozen out and compelled to return to Florence. The expedition staked out the Warren meadows for themselves and their friends. Eight men were sent back to Florence for provisions, the rest remaining to work the claims. While the the rest eight men were gone some of those who remained discovered better digging at Summit Flat, obtaining from two to

four dollars to the pan. The claims of Warren meadows were abandoned, and new claims staked out on the new field. When the men return-ed from Florence with the provisions they were foll wed by about 600 miners, who suspected that rich dirt had been found, and swarmed along Warren creek and its tributarles, making rich finds everywhere. The original locators were extremely fortunate in the Summit Flat diggings. Two men named Besse and Osgood worked together, and dock-ed out 100 ounces together the next afternon. The assay office had just been established at Boise, and these 140 ounces of dust were the first receipts of the office. The gold was found to be worth \$14

The gold was found to be worth \$14 an ounce, the net returns of the two men for a day and a half being \$1,960. In three weeks that part of 16 men had taken out of their claims on Summit Flat 30,000 ounces of gold. Before the close of the season 100,000 ounces were taken out, and the original members of the expedition had enough money to keep them comfortably for life. About as much more was taken out during the next season before the bar was taken next season before the bar was ex-The honesty of the miners in pioneer days was illustrated by an inpede from Florence. In the crowd of 600 that followed the eight men sent to Florence after provisions, was a man nicknamed "Boston." of a thrifty turn, who brought two barrels of whiskey and a wagon hauled by a pair of males, his knowledge of the average prospecsent to Philadelphia at once for the number needed and they will be shipped at once. The work on the new barracks is to be hurried as much as possible and as fast as they are made ready they will be occupied. There are 38 new structures being erected by the government on Sandy Hook, including officers' quarters, barracks, a hospital and houses for married men and their families. **FIRE AT TACOMA.** The Largest Shingle Mill in the World Now in Ruins. Tacoma, March 22.—The Pacific mill, located just north of the Tacoma smelter along the water fromt, burned to the ground in half an hour this noon and is the box and pass on. Sometimes several a total loss. Fire started in one of the dry kilns, situated 100 feet from the mill. It rapidly spread, and in five mioutes or less the four additional kilns, all filled with. Shingles, were a mass of flames. Wind from the south swept the fire on from the dry houses to the mill itself and in almost less time than it takes to tell the story the entire property of the Pa-cific Mill Company was a total ruin. The cause of the disaster is unknown, and save that it originated in the dry kilns, possibly from hot air, there is ab-solutely nothing known regarding the fire. i total loss. Fire started in one of the drinks would be taken without a resort a saloon in form, making a good clean-un from his contribution box. As long as the diggings lasted he kept his regu-lar bar, but always had a keg of whis-The Parision police department has key, a cup and a contribution box on the outside of the cabin to accommodate those wro preferred this method of in-dulgence in the miners' delight."-Den-ver Republican.

The Report Signed.

with its present ability, can govern itself. We don't want Cuba; we want self. We don't want Cuba; we want Hawaii, but we don't want Cuba. "Suppose we discover that the Maine was blown up? The question still re-mains whether that is sufficient to cause investigation. The general impression continues to prevail that the court has found that the Maine was intentionally blown up, but no new reasons were adduced for this

us to go to war. (A voice in the rear of the hall: 'Yes, it is.') "Autonomy for Cuba 1 think' would The battleship Indiana has arrived

WAIT UNTIL MONDAY.

Washington, March 22 .- Monday afternoon next, very shortly after 12 o'clock, congress and the whole country the Detroit, where it spent the night for will know the president's plan for stop-

ping the war in Cuba. The report of Admiral Sicard's board of inquiry into the destruction of the Maine will be made public at the same time. That is the destruction the same time. That is bicard. The latter signed the report at 9450 yclock. It is now ready for its trip to yclock. It is now ready for its trip to

an official source: "It was understood at the cabinet meeting to-day that the report of the count of inquiry would probably be here Thursday or Friday. That it is a very voluminous document and that probably it will not be given to the press and con-gress before Monday, as the president

rin, 'that she will sing it so low can't hear it.' From that time, or, my mind was a blank until myself in the police station. ple say that I killed the man. did. I regret nothing. **Do with** ou will."

er," said the judge, with tears res, "let me grasp your hand. discharged, sir, and were it in er to bestow rewards as well as punishment, vou should have a dal as large as a dinner plate."

SH SPOKEN AND WRITTEN

urds of the Correspondence of the rld Done in That Language.

recent postal congress attention ed to the fact that two-thirds of letters which pass through the ces of the world are written by at to people who speak English. re substantially 500,000,000 peraking colloqually one or another en or twelve chief modern langud of these about 25 per cent., 000,000 persons, speak English. 90,000,000 speak Russian, 75,000,man, 55,000,000 French, 45,000,nish, 35,000,000 Italian, and 12,-Portuguese, and the balance ian, Dutch, Polish, Flemish, Bo-Gaelic, Roumania, Swedish, Danish and Norwegian. Thus nly one-quarter of those who emfacilities of the postal departof the civilized governments speak native tongue English, twoof those who correspond do so English language. This situation rom the fact that so large a share commercial business of the world in English, even among those not speak English as their native There are, for instance, more 0,000 post offices in India, the s of which in letters and papers tes more than 300,000,000 paryear, and the business of these s done chiefly in English, though 's total population, which is near-,000,000, fewer than 300,000 perither speak or understand Eng-

ugh 90,000.000 speak or understand n, the business of the Russian partment is relatively small, the r of letters sent through the Czar's amounting to less than one-tenth umber mailed in Great Britain though the population of Great is considerably less than onehe population of Russia in Europe. outhern and Central, American ies in which either Spanish or guese is spoken do comparatively ost office business, the total numletters mailed and collected in a n all the countries of South and al America and the West Indies less than in Australia. Chile and ina are, in fact, the only two American countries in which any that postal business is done, and of the letters received from or sent peier countries are not in Spanish, in English. French, German or -N. Y. Sun.

Parent CIPHERED OUT. Eyster-What do you suppose Shake-meant by "the glass of fashion and old of form?"

Peyster-Champagne and corsets.-

old and reliable miner, who has been here a dozen years, prospecting along an hour or so in conversation, when the the waters of the 'ukon-says; he is pretty certain that this gold, as well as that found in the mouth of Skookum sustained in the shape of pocketbooks gulch, and its famous banks, is from an and wallets. "Only this week," said one, old bed of El Dorado.

"in this house there was a case which Mr. Davis, head of the Alaska Comwill serve to illustrate the extraordinary nercial Company's agency at Fort Yukon, has just arrived at Dawson from chances which some men take with their that point by dog sled-fifteen days- valuables, and which incidentally valuables, and which incidentally serves and reports everything screne there and to prove the honesty of a class of people further down the river. He says Cap-tain Ray, U.S.A., the officer, who se bravely held things in order there against the mob, with only a heutenant an undue amount of that virtue. A man who was going away by one of the north-bound boats, ordered his baggage and not a single soldier of the line, has established an hospital there for the sick and frozen-about twenty all told-and sent down to the wharf, paid his bill has peremptorily ordered all others to and went away. Several hours afterwards he re-appeared in a great state of perspiration, hastily demanded the key of his room and bolted upstairs with get out, either up or down the river, and go to work. Davis passed about a hunred of these coming in this direction. They will probably stop at American every indication of alarm. Five minutes

cordingly.

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More than all this, I am told, and be-

lieve, that the police at the customs house at Tagish Lake will forbid anyone

to pass farther down the river or far-

Some of the Items of Interest Gathered

reek, mostly. We have had a letter from Mr. Hall, long in the service of the Alaska Com-mercial Company at St. Michael, who id art for a service of the Alaska Comslid out of Dawson one night on his s.ed their questions the man produced a for American creek. His brief letter says pocketbook which he opened and showed that only \$2.60 to the pan has been its contents to be currency and bank only \$2.60 to the pan has been found in the bed of the creek and 10 cents on the hillsides. He says the suow is deep, that little has been done, that there is no grub, that we had better walt there is no grub, that we had better walt there is no grub that we had better walt there is no grub that we had better walt there is no grub that we had better walt there is no grub that we had better walt there is no grub that we had better walt there is no grub that we had better walt there is no grub that we had better walt there is no grub that we had better walt there is no grub that we had better walt there is no grub that we had better walt there is no grub that we had better walt for boats and so on. Now, you may and you may not read between the lines, as you please. Hall, of course is entirely ing who would have been to blame if claims for himself and three of his prominent friends here, and I should read between the lines that he has found that pocketbook had been abstracted by someone to when it did not belong. "That reminds me," he said, "of an experience I had here a few weeks ago. things richer on American creek than he cares to record or have published in this A gentleman who stayed here one night wrote me three days after his departure

informing me that he had left under the mattress of the bed he had occupied a Mr. Duvis says he met about as many going down to American as he passed coming up this way from Fort Yukon. pocketbook containing some money, and asking me to see if it was still there. Mr. Davis says that important discover-The room had been occupied every night s have been made on Chandalier and since he left, by different transferts, and to other streams, tributaries of the I was not at all sanguine that the book Yukon, that head far up in the Arctio circle, by parties who becan prospecting there early last fail. These discoveries have drawn many of those who have been idle at Fort Yukon, into that re-gion, and further rich developments are reasonably expected. A large nark of latest news from the ports in general and the

sonably expected. A large party of latest news from the north in particular, spectors has also gone up the Porce-up a big river that heads near the by another guest who had returned from

Here is the new bill of fare, as copied



Never cakes. The Reading Street

when the provide the porch-by another guest who had returned from i a walk and upon whose ruddy face there is a wold man who had returned from i a walk and upon whose ruddy face there is a wold man who had returned from i a walk and upon whose ruddy face there is a wold man who had returned from i a walk and upon whose ruddy face there is a wold with the second for in gold, but eternal winter prevails there, and it is a bold man who dares to enter that country. This stream! "Mowing from so far within the Arctic circle, is the first big stream to throw ice into the Yakon, and is navigable for steamers only a lit-the time in the year. Mr. Davis ccutions us not to say much, but is certain that the discoveries mentioned are important. We have news-great news of its kind from Dawson. Meals at the restaur-ants have suddenly dropped from \$5 25.00. I shall go to town and dine now, very few weeks. I did not sample the \$5 meals, buil Kreling did, and he re-ports that he did not break his teeth on the money, or even sharpen them on anything else to sneak of that we there on the start of the start of

honey, or even sharpen them on hing else to speak of that was there. Pre is the new bill of fare, as copied word 'transpire' than I could count up in a money. in a month.

Key West, Fla., March 22.-Com-mander Marix left Key West this after-noon on his way to Washington, by way of Miami, taking with him the report of Miami, taking with him the report of the court of inquiry in the Maine disaster.

President in Conference.

Washington, March 22.-Senators Alli-on and Gorman saw the president toby appointment. The president de-d to consult him with regard to the present Cuban situation, as he had been consulting others. Little could be learned concerning the nature of the confer-ence, but it is known that the president desires the views of the leading men of both parties at this time on the situa-tion, which is considered very critical. No official announcement as to the na-ture of the Maine report has been re-ceived, but the assumption is the heard and he also admitted that Admiral Si-card had received the report last evening and would forward it to Washington summary received as a basis the state ceived, but the assumption is the board will say it was an outside explosion department has already proceeded to notify Minister Woodford officially of the without fixing the responsibility. report and he in return, by this time, has probably communicated the news to the

Senor Polo Denies It.

Washington, March 22, Senor Polo, the Spanish minister, said to-day that the report from Madrid that he had noti-fied his government that the American need to court of incoment that the American naval court of inquiry's report was that the explosion was of external origin was an error.

Maine Officers Ordered Home,

ence in an open boat, said: "The Cuban army is in excellent health and condition. General Calizto Key West, March 22 .- It is said the officers of the Maine, now in Havana, have been ordered home. Garcia has 16,500 men in the eastern department between Santiago de Cuba and

A Glowing Editorial.

Camajuey. These forces have 12 field pieces, two dynamite guns and 2,000,000 Concord, N. H., March 22 .- Senator Chandler, in an editorial in the Concord Mentor, says that President Mckinley is about to take action in the name of the United States to relieve famine and sickness in Cuba. rounds of rifle ammunition." Havana (via Key West). March 22.-It is known positively that the negotia-tions between General Pando, Delegate Ramirez and Chervez and General Cal-

"Food and medicine and clothing," he says, "given by generous people of the United States, will be sent with the apixto Carcia and other prominent insur-gents, in which the radical autonomists made what are said to be final offers of United States, will be sent with the approval of Spain if she consents, or will be carried by American shilors and sol-diers without aproval if she does not consent. The end of starvation and tor-tule is near at hand. Every humane per-son in this whole land should sustain and bless the president in his coming propractical independence, have proved an absolute failufe. bless the president in his coming proclamation, which is to cause the name of William McKinley to be held in sa-cred reverence by Cuban generations as long as will be revered the name of Abraham Lincoln by the colored race of America

Fortifying Boston Harbor.

Boston, March 22 .- After being open-Boston, March 22.—After being open-ed to the public for more than five years for recreation purposes, Cattle Island, In Boston harbor, has been, closed. Or-ders from Washington to this effect have been expected ever since the handling of explosives began at Fort Independence on the island some three weeks ago. More than a 'score' of men have been at work planting torpedo shells and get-ting ready the wiring and other neces-sary preliminaries to laying them in position in the harbor, if necessary.

ALASKA PARTY WRECKED.

San Francisco, March 22.-Captain Alexander, of the steamer Santa Rosa, There is no one article in the line of medicine that gives so large a return for the money as a good porcess strengthening dister, such as Carter's Smart Weed and Beliadona Backache Plasters. **Use Vapors of Quickcure** ifor Throat Troubles.

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esident's request. army soldiers camping at Fort Hancock on Sandy Hook uncomfortable and they the president's request. the White House, among them Allison, Cullom and Hale, and they agreed that the best thing to do would be for the senprotested against the shelter afforded them. A demand was made upon the quartermaster's department on Goverators to accept invitations to witness the launching of the Kentucky and the kearsarge at Newport News, on Thurs-day, and a number of them have already por's island for more tents. Orders were sent to Philadelphia at once for the numaccepted invitations to go there.

that if must be prepared to present a satisfactory reply within a few days.

The Rebels in Good Condition.

odo, of the Cuban insurgent army, who

has arrived here after a severe experi-

Peace Negotiations Fail.

Summary of Report Received. Washington, March 22.-Late last evening Secretary Long admitted that telegraphic summary of the report of the court of inquiry had been received

^{*} Tacoma, March 22.—The Pacific mill, located just north of the Tacoma smelter along the water front, burned to the ground in half an hour this noon and is total located by Spanish government with an intimation Key West, March 22 .- Colonel Salifire.

THE WAGES OF MURDER.

just issued an instructive and possibly an effective document, showing from actual facts that, apart from the fear of punishment, crime does not pay. The police take for their text the latest Par-

isian murder, that by the man Carrars and his wife, who killed the collector of The Recognition of Cuba. Washington, March 22.—Representa-tive Kinz, of Utah, has introduced the following joint resolution, recognizing the independence of Cuba:

independence of Cuba: "Resolved, By the senate and house of representatives that the Republic of Cuba, having established and maintained an independent government, capable of performing the duties, foreign and do-mestic, which apertain to independent governments, and it appearing that there is no longer any reasonable prospect of independence and the senate and house of their neighbors, and is uspician was di-perted towards them. They were arrest-dd, confessed, surrendered £825 and will munders done by twenty-seven "ar-tistes," as the assassing are rather hu-morously termed, and the average prois no longer any reisonable prospect of incrously termed, and the average pro-the success of the prosecution of war by fit to each assassin was £3 5s. 6d. It the success of the prosecution of war by int to each assassin was 10 bs, ou. It Spain against the state, it is expedient and proper and in conformity with the returns the more or less famous murder-laws of nations and the practice of this government in the cases, that the inde-pendent political existence of said state as appropriate of the government of the concess Voty and Franck murdered a

be acknowledged by the government of the United States." Defence of Puget Sound. Georges, Voty and Franck murdered a man and earned sixpence halfpenny; Chotin, one murder, sevenpence; Coche

Defence of Puget Sound. Watertown, Mass., March 22.-The United Stafes arsenal was run under a hight force last night for the first time inter the more than the first time and Mme. Berlant killed a woman and since the recent orders. This morning two 12-inch and three 10-inch barbette

MILLIONS FOR DEFENCE.

Washington, March 22.-The naval appropriation bill, as reported to the house to day, carried \$35,686,058, an increase ver lost year of \$3,764,432 and over the ever lost year of \$3,764,432 and over the current estimates of \$2,514,824. For in-crease of the have the bill allows to be constituened by contract three seagoing coast line" battleships, designed to carry the beaviest gins, displacement of 11,000 tons, with, the highest practicable speed for their class with cost exclusive of armament, not exceeding \$3,000,000 each, one to be named the Maine; six torpedo boats and six torpedo boat destroyers to cost not exceeding \$2,340,000, and one guiboat to take the place of the Wichi cost not exceeding \$2,340,000, and one gunboat to take the place of the Michi-gan, the cost exclusive of armament not over \$260,000, to be built on the great lakes. One of these seagoing battleships is to be built on the Pacific coast. Con-tracts for construction of all of these vessels are to be made within 60 days of the enactment of the bill

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STORM WRECKS HOUSES.

Kansas City, Mo., March 22.—A storm wrecked 14 houses and destroyed smaller buildings at Blue Hills. Mo., a little vilnight force last night for the first time since the recent orders. This morning two 12-inch and three 10-inch barbette carriages, making 10 carloads, were ship ped to Puget Sound. The 12-inch disap-pearing carriage will go at once to San Francisco. Blanco Threatens to Resign. New York, March 22.—A dispatch from Havana to day alleges that Cap-tain General Blanco and General Manter-ola have notified the Madrid government that they will resign their offices if the Spanish torpedo flect is to be detained at

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