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New York, April 20. Yesterday's Yesterday's
Close. Open. High, Low. Close.
Atcheson, 11 10½ 10½ 10¾ 10¾ 10¾
Atcheson Pfd. 24¾ 24¼ 24½ 24 24¾
C. B. & Q. 90¾ 90 91½ 89 91½
C. & N. W. 116¾ 116½ 116¾ 115½ 116½
Bay State Gas. 3 2½ 2¾ 2¾ 2¾
Chicago Gas. 89% 89% 90% 88% 90%
N. Y. Gas. 175
Gen. Electric. 31½ 30½ 31¾ 30½ 31¾
L. & N. 47½ 46½ 47½ 46% 47½
Man. 94½ 94 94 92¾ 94 30½ 46½ 94 25 301/2 461/8 921/8 25 3134 47½ 94 26¼ Mo. P..... 91½ Omaha. P. M. 23 R. I 84 22¼ 84 16¼ 109¼ 22% 84% 169% 86% 19% 51% 56% 56% 460% V. Y. Central 1083/4 863 W. U. 85½
Union Pac. Pfd 50%
Union Pacific 19½
Leather Trust 85 50 191/8 561/4 28 115 101 25 91 301/4 591/8

50 18% 56 28 114% 100% 24% 90% 30% 58% Tobacco. 1021/ Southern Ry. Pfd 251/9 Jersey Central. 911/4 K. & T. Pfd. 31 N. P. Pfd. 601/9 Cen. Southern n. Southern... Montreal Stock Market. MONTREAL, April 20.

C 1 D	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	75%	755
		21/2
Duith, preferred	62	4
Commercial Cable	167	163
Com. Cable Coupon Ronds	107	
Commercial Registered Ronda		
MODIFESI Telegranh	179	175
Richelieu and Ontario, xd	100	1/5
London Street Railway	100	••
Montreal Street Railway, xd	oio	a::
Mont. Street Railway, new	.245	2471/2
Toronto Pailway, new	.246	240
Toronto Railway	. 88	87
Montreal Gas Company	.179	176
Bell Telephone		
		140
		230
Ontario Bank		
MOISONS DANK	200	196
Dank Of Toronto		100
		176
Merchania Bank of Halifox	100	
Quebec Dank		
		105
Bank of Commerce	1401/	
Northwest Land. pref	.14072	••
Montreal Cotton Company	. 51	
Canada Colored Cotton	.100	
Canada Colored Cotton	. 75	::

minion Cotton SALES-Can. Pacific, 125 at 76, 1,325 at 75% SALES—Can. Pacific, 125 at 76, 1,325 at 75%, 0 at 75%, 325 at 75%; Com. Cable, 125 at 164, 75 it 163; Mont. St. Ry, 225 at 248, 50 at 247%, 290 it 247%; do, new, 50 at 244; Toronto Ry, 225 at 87, 250 at 88, 175 at 88, 115 at 87%, 58 at 88%, 25 at 8%, 225 at 88%; Mont. Gas, 10 at 178, 25 at 178%, 5 at 178%, 25 at 178%, 8 at 88%, 178%, 28 at 88%, 18 at 18%, 28 at 178%, 28 at 18%, 10 at 179; Quebec Bank, 16 at 125.

Toronto Stock Market.

	TORONTO, April 20.		
Montreel	Agle	Off.	
Montreal	240	235	
Ontario	104	103	
Toronto	230	224	
Merchants'	180	1763/4	
Commerce		1361/4	
Imperial	193	1903/4	
Dominion, xd	250	245	
Standard		174	
Hamilton		174	
British America	129	127	
Western Assurance	163	1611/2	
Consumers Gas		213	
Montreal Gas. Dominion Telegraph	180	1751/2	
Montreal Telegraph		131	
Northwest Land Compa			
Canada Pacific Railway	iny, pref. 51	48	
Commercial Cable Com	Stock 7534	751/2	
Commercial Coupon Bo	bany162½	162	
Com. Registered Bonds	nds103	100	
Bell Telephone Compar		100	
Montreal Street Railwa	93	88	
Toronto Street Railway	y	*****	
London Street Railway	88 1/2	863/8	
		1771/2	
G. T. R., Pref		::	
Dominion Savings and	Invest	64	
Huron and Erie L. and	2	75	
Huron and Eric 20 per	ant	168	
LOUGOH and Canada La	nd A co	156	
London Loan		•::	
London and Ontario		105	
Ontario Loan and Deber	turo	122	
SALES-1 p.m.—Onta	nia 10 -t 100 G	122	
10, 25, 25 at 75½, 25, 25 at	110, 10 at 103; C.	P. R.,	
- 1001 de 10/2, 20, 20 at	10%; Com. Cab	le. 25, 25	

COMMERCIAL

Toronto Produce Market. Toronto, Ont., April 20.-Wheat in good demand and firmer at 90c for white and 91c to 92c for red winter, north and west. Manitoba wheat firmer on small offerings. No. 1 hard is firm at \$1 16 to \$1 17, grinding in transit; \$1 16 North Bay and Owen Sound. Flour is in better demand owing to the threatened war, and the similar to those ruling last week. small offerings of wheat and higher Matching horses were also in request prices for grain in cars of straight and sold comparatively higher. \$4 25. Millfeed is steady at 13c for shorts, and 11c for bran west. Rye steady, 47c west. Corn easier for Canada yellow west at 31c west; American | The best cart horses brought from 25 is firmer is 371/2c here. Oats are in good demand, and white are quoted at 31c to 32c west. Peas steady at 57c west. Baled hay, \$8 to \$8 50 in car lots here. Baled straw in cars, \$4 50 to \$5 here. Seeds are dull and unchanged; timothy, \$3 40 to \$4 60; red clover, \$5 to \$6; alsike, \$5 to \$8. Eggs, not so many offerings and market firmer at 10c for new laid. Butter, more larger rolls coming here, and market rather easier at 16c to 16½c; creamery is in good demand, the supply is fair, and the market is steady at 19c for tubs and

20c to 21c for prints. American Markets. American Markets.

CHICAGO, April 20.—Opening—Wheat, July, 88½c to 88½c; May, \$1 10; Sept., 80½c to 80½c; Dec., 80½c to 80½c. Corn., May, 31½c to 31½c; July, 32½c; Sept., 33½c to 33½c. Oats, May, 25½c; July, 23½c. Pork, July, \$10 65. Ribs, July, \$5 17½; May, \$5 17½ to \$5 20. Lard, May, \$5 17½; Sept., \$5 32½.

NEW YORK, April 20.-Flour-Receipts, 17,453 bbls; sales, 3,500 packages; state and western stronger, and held sc to 10c higher; city mills patents, \$5 85 to \$6 10; city mills clears, \$5 50 to \$5 65; Minnesota patents, \$5 25 to \$5 65; winter straights, \$4 60 to \$4 70. Rye flour, \$3 10 to \$3 40. Wheat—Receipts, 49,025 bu; sales, 2,560,000 bu; options, No. 2 red, strong and active all the morning on war news and higher cables; May, \$1 09%; July, 93%c to 94%c; Sept., 86%c to 87½c; Dec., 86½c to 86¾c. Rye— Firm; state, No. 2 western, 61c to 61½c, c. 1. 1., Buffalo. Corn—Receipts, 355,275 bu; sales, 115,000 bu; options stronger on continued export demand and bullish cables; May, 36½c to 36%c; July, 87%c to 27 12-16c. Oats—Receipts, 259,-

- 100

200 bu; sales, 10,000 bu; options were firm on covering; May, 30½c; on track, white state and western, 32c to 39½c. Butter-Receipts, 5,841 packages; market steady. Cheese-Receipts, 1,456 packages; firm; large white, 84c to 84c; small white, 84c to 9c; large colored, 84c to 84c; small colored, 84c to 9c; large choice, 7%c to 8c; small choice, 8c to 8½c. Eggs—Receipts, 7,972 packages; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 10½c to 10¾c; western, 11½c to 11½c; southern, 10c to 10½c. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining, 3½c; refined firm. Coffee—Steady; No. 7, 6¾c. Hops—steady. Lead—Quiet; bullion price,

\$3 50; exchange price, \$3 55 to \$3 60. BUFFALO, April 20 .- Spring wheat-No. 1 hard, \$1 13½; No. 1 northern, \$1 13¾. Winter wheat—No. 2 red and No. 1 white, \$1 02. Corn-No. 2 yellow, 36c; No. 3 yellow, 35%c; No. 2 corn, 35½c; No. 3 corn, 35c on track. Oats-No. 2 white, 32c; No. 3 white, 31½c; No. 2 mixed, 29½c; No.3 mixed, 28½c asked. DETROIT, April 20.-Wheat-No. 1 white cash, 98c; No. 2 red cash, \$1; May, \$1 001/4; July, 861/4c.

TOLEDO, April 20.—Wheat—Cash, \$1 04½; May, \$1 03½; July, 86%c. Corn -Cash, 321/sc; May, 321/sc; July 331/sc. Oats-Cash, 271/sc; May, 27c; July, 24c. MILWAUKEE, April 20.—Wheat—Cash, \$1 04; July, \$1 01.

Chicago Exchange CHICAGO, April 20. Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butler, broker, Masonic Temple. Phone 1,278. 31 % 32 % 26 % 23 % 9 90 10 05 5 17 5 27 5 27

July....5 27 5 42 Puts-86¼ to 85%. Calls-89¼. English Markets.

Eng ish Markets.

Liverpool, April 20—Closing.

Wheat—Spot, firm; No. 1 Cal., 7s 10½d to
7s 11½d; No 1 cash, firm, 8s 2½d; No. 2 red
western winter, firm, 8s ½d; spot No. 1 red
northern spring, firm, 8s 3½d.

Corn—Steady; spot American mixed, new, \$s
5½d; April, 3s 7d; May, 3s 7d; July, 3s 7¾d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter firm, 10s 6d.
Peas—Canadian, 5s 2½d.

Pork—Firm; prime mess, fine western, 51s
Beef—Prime mess, firm, 62s 9d, extra India
mess, 68s 9d; do, medium, western, 48s 9d.

Hams—Firm; short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., 36s 6d.
Bacon—Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs, firm,
33s 6d; short ribs, firm, 20 to 24 lbs., 32s; long
clear middles, light, 35 to 38 lbs, steady, 29s 6d;
long clear middles, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, steady,
29s; short clear bidles, firm, 12 to 14 lbs, 34s;
short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs, firm, 35s.

Shoulders—Square, 12 to 14 lbs, firm, 26s 6d.
Lard—Prime western, dull, 27s 9d.
Butter—Finest American, 24s; good, 60s.
Rosin—Common, steady, 4s 3d.
Cheese—American finest white, 38s 6d; do

Rosin—Common, steady, 48 3d Cheese-American finest white, 38s 6d; de colored, firm, 40s 6d.
Tallow-Prime city, firm, 19s.
Cottonseed oil-Liverpool refined, steady, 15s

Turpentine spirits—Firm, 25s.
Hops—At London (Pacific coast), dull, 24

Live Stock Markets. the future course of the ocean freight market. If there is any saltpetre burned between the United States and Spain it is believed that a lot of United States cattle will find their way to Europe via Montreal, and, of course, freight space from this port will be encroached on to that extra extent, and naturally rates should stiffen. But as conditions are at present operators hardly know how At present rates to Liverpool are quoted at 40s; Glasgow, 45s, and London and Bristol, 35s. Supplies today on this market were not as heavy as they were on Thursday, and prices in a few instances were a trifle firmer for this reason, but the average figure was about the same. There were about 500 head of cattle, 150 calves, 60 sheep and 30 spring lambs offered for sale at the east end abattoir today; the butchers were present in large numbers, and trade was brisk, with more or less advance in prices all round over those prevailing here last Thursday; prime beeves sold at about 4c per 1b, with a few of the best at 4½c; pretty good cattle brought from 3½c to 3%c, and the common stock at from 21/4c to 31/4c per lb. Pretty good calves sold at from \$4 to \$6 each, or nearly \$1 more than were paid for similar calves on Thursday; common veals sold at from \$1 25 to \$3 each. Most of the sheep offered here today were shorn, and these sold

A sale of United States horses was held on April 6 by Mr. T. C. Nelson. in the cattle market, Glasgow, when there were 49 animals catalogued, conposes. Although not long landed they showed remarkable well. There was a good attendance of buyers, and business was of a satisfactory character, although for some of the classes bid-

at from 31/2c to 41/2 per lb; those with

their fleeces still on them brought

about half a cent per lb more. Spring

lambs sold at from \$3 to \$4 25 each. Fat

THE HORSE MARKET.

ding was comparatively slow. Over all a fair trade was experienced. The ages of the animals ranged from 4 to 7 years, and they were from 15.2 to 16.1 hands high. The best demand was experienced for the vanners, for which bids came readily, at times the competition being most animated. Cart horses also experienced a sharp inquiry, and showed values somewhat barrels; west are quoted at riage horses only maintained the currencies of previous sale. The best vansecondary made from 19 to 25 guineas. to 33 guineas, secondary from 16 to 25 guineas. Matching horses realized from 22 to 32½ guineas. Carriage horses made from 21 to 30 guineas, mares from 19 to 30 guineas. Lorry horses made up to 33 guineas. A total clearance was effected. All the animale being put up for unreserved sale, they were not guaranteed in any way,

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LATEST WEATHER FORECAST Toronto, April 20-10 a.m.-Probabilities for the lower lakes region for the next 24 hours: Strong winds and gales, southwest and west, with occasional showers today. On Thursday, fair, with strong west winds.

-Mr. James McPhillips left for Vancouver, B. C., this morning. -Fire alarm cards, giving the location of the new boxes, may be had at any of the fire halls. -The health inspectors have been

out on their spring house-to-house tour for the past few days. -A large contingent of the Meteor Bicycle Club attended the Emerson benefit in a body last night. -The financial campaign of the Y.

M. C. A. is being pushed, and the canvassers are now busily at work. -The plan for the London Wheelmen's concert in the Auditorium tomorrow (Thursday) night is being rapidly taken up. -The management of the Kirmess

have decided to get out programmes of the coming event, which will serve as beautiful souvenirs -The London Wheelmen promise an excellent concert at the Auditorium tomorrow night. Local favorites will provide the programme.

-Rev. G. H. Filian, of Armenia, will give an illustrated stereopticon lecture in the city hall Thursday night in connection with the mission service. -Three motions and one appeal from the findings of the local master | Secretary Day, and at 11:30 o'clock anat London will be held at the weekly high court tomorrow. Judge Fergu-

son is booked to preside. -Mr. M. F. Irwin, of the McClary Manufacturing Company, who has been connected latterly with the Toronto shortly before 11 o'clock by Assistant branch, has returned to London. His many friends will welcome him back. President McKinley, before the latter -Among the guests at the Tecumseh affixed his signature. House are George Levensten, Berlin, Germany; B. M. Greenwood, Stockton,

-The city solicitor this morning received a letter from a town in South- as the final determination to send it young lawyer to locate there. He a good man. -The hospital building committee

will meet tonight, when any suggestions the representatives of the medical fraternity intend to make as to alterations in the plans of the new hospital will be received and arrangements for calling tenders considered. MONTREAL, April 18.—The dominant feature of the export live stock Trunk. Mr. Sheedy succeeds Mr. -Mr. J. A. Sheedy, of Philadelphia. Crawford, who has resigned, and his headquarters will be in this city. Though a young man. Mr. Sheedy has had valuable experience in the line of work of which he has assumed charge those of the United States over the were necessary to differentiate between a considerable time.

MORE BALL PLAYERS HERE. Crowe, of Niles, Ohio; Jones, of Butto act, and matters are at a standstill. ler, Pa.; Beale, of Erie, Pa., and Bach, of Decatur, Ill., players of the London baseball club, arrived in the city this morning. Six of the team are now

A POLICE CRUSADE. The police are making a thorough crusade against all places of a disorderly and immoral nature. Last night Catherine Franck, of William street north, was brought to the police station with two small boys, aged about 2 and 4 years. She was charged with keeping a disorderly house, and was remanded for a week. Frank Cahill, a frequenter, was discharged. The children will be taken over by the Children's Aid Society. Timothy Sullivan, a drunk, promised to take the pledge if allowed to go. He has only been out of the Central three weeks. Tim's father volunteered the information that incarceration in the Central had no moralizing influence.

FRIED-GUNN.

hogs sold today at from \$4 50 to \$4 90 | Marriage of Two Popular Young Londoners at Dundas Center Church. A very pretty and quiet wedding was

celebrated in the Dundas Center Meth- ed a vessel to bring over 4,000 Spanish odist Church this morning, when Miss Emily Mary, daughter of the late Alexsisting principally of match and car- ander Gunn, and a popular young arriage horses, while there were also a tist, was united in marriage to Mr. John Fried, of the firm of Fried, Wright & Co., Richmond street, city. The bride was charmingly dressed in a handsome traveling tallor-made gown of reseda green Venetlan cloth, with ermine muff and boa. At 9 o'clock the bridal party appeared, while the strains in Rome that Spain has, or will offer of the "Wedding March," from "Lohengrin," were played by Mr. W. H. Hewlett. The bride entered on the arm of her brother, Mr. W. W. Gunn, of Chicago, preceded by the groom, groomsmen, maid of honor, bridesmaids and ushers. Rev. E. B. Lanceley performed the ceremony. The maid honor, Miss Florence K. Gunn, sis- struggle. ter of the bride, wore a handsome dress of Venetian cloth. The bridesmaids were Miss Marie C. Harrison, of Toronto, and Miss May H. Walker, of ners realized from 25 to 34 guineas, Alma College, St. Thomas, and they were dressed respectively in ladies' cloth and broche.

Mr. W. S. Barkwell acted as best The groomsmen were Dr. A. man. Hobbs and Mr. W. Cotter, and the ushers Mr. R. A. Brown and Mr. W. C. Crawford. A number of guests were present from Toronto, Chicago, Exeter, St. Thomas and other cities. Mr. and Mrs. Fried left on the 10:15 a.m. express for eastern points, followed by the good wishes of their many friends. As this was the first wedding in the new church, the bride was presented with a handsome Bible by the trustees.

The Russian Government has placed orders for two 12,000 ton battleships in the United States. The new vessels are to equal any in the world. The Cramps will build the hulls, and machinery, and the Bethlehem Iron Company the armor and the guns.

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The attention of our readers is drawn The attention of our readers is drawn to the auction sale of buggies, etc., the stock-in-trade of the late John Turner, which takes place on Saturday next, April 23, at 481 Richmond street, this city. Mr. T. Clarke is the auctionser.

Meanwhile.

The attention of our readers is drawn to the auction sale of buggies, etc., the stock-in-trade of the late John Turnent would not hold a stop-watch on Spain in this emergency, and could well afford to give her three days to decide a question which may involve the destiny of the nation. Meanwhile.

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The attention of our readers is drawn to the time limit, said that the government would not hold a stop-watch on Spain in this case. Ah, sir," replied the latter, but just think of what I Graves' Worm Exterminator is pleasant, sure and effectual. If your druggist has none in stock, get him to proton the destiny of the nation. Meanwhile.

Steamship Arrivals.

April 13.

At Frog

Of the kand

President McKinley Signs the Cuban Resolution

And Sends His Ultimatum to the Spanish Government.

The Dons Have Until Saturday Night to Reply.

ton Asks for His Passports. Madrid Newspapers Warlike in Their

Spain's Representative at Washing-

Tone-Will Not Surrender Cuba.

THE WAR RESOLUTION BECOMES LAW. Washington, April 20 .- The Cuban resolution is now a law of the land, and the ultimatum to Spain an accomplishtion of congress, requiring Spain to at the state department by Assistant nouncement was made at the White House that it had been signed by the president, and had been sent to the Spanish Government. The ultimatum was brought over to the White House Secretary Day, who went over it with

After the announcement, Assistant Secretary Day said that the ultimatum England; C. H. Little, Toledo; Wm. had been transmitted this morning to Hagerman, Philadelphia, and Alfred Madrid, addressed to United States Hostilities Often Begin Now Minister Woodford, who will deliver it to the Spanish Government. As soon ern Manitoba, asking if it would not had been reached, and it had been startbe possible to induce some promising ed on its way to Madrid, Senor Polo De Bernabe, Spanish minister, in accordsays the field is a promising one for ance with diplomatic courtesies, was given a copy of the paper. The minister, as soon as he received it, made a brief reply, and requested his passports. It was said at the White House that the terms of the ultimatum would not be made public here until tomorrow. It is understood it consists largely emn function, attended with so much of a diplomatic paraphrase of the joint ceremony that a special college of her-

IN BRITISH HANDS. Madrid, April 20 .- On the departure of Gen. Woodford from Madrid, which is expected almost immediately, the arms of Great Britain will replace

THE SPANISH PRESS TALKS WAR. The Madrid newspapers today are very warlike in tone. The Imparcial (independent) contrasts the manner in which the United States and Spain enhere. Practice will be begun on the ter into the conflict, saying: "The aggressor is noisy, insulting and clamorous, and the aggrieved is reserved, calm and self-contained." The Liberal, the organ of Premier Sagasta (Moderate Republican), remarks: "Even Minister Woodford is convinced that war is at hand, having left his farewell cards with the diplomatic body." It heads its leading article with the single word "War," and says: "The resolutions passed by congress are tantamount to a declaration of war. Spain is fearlessly and unitedly prepared to defend her rights, single-handed and abandoned by the powers, but fortified by the justice of

> A VOICE FROM HAVANA. Havana, April 20.-The Union Constitucional, commenting upon the resolutions adopted by congress, says: "Intervention means war for Spain. But it is easier to vote than to execute. So far, Spain has treated the United States with contempt. Now she will kick her and use the whip." A dispatch from Havana says: "Captain-General Blanco has chartersailors, "who have heretofore served in the United States navy, but who are now desirous of defending their own country." official dispatch adds that the Cuban insurgent leader Betancourt has published a proclamation agreeing to

a suspension of hostilities. WILL NOT LET CUBA GO. Madrid, April 20-10 a.m.-There is Cuba to the pope, so that the latter surrender the island to the

United States, thus enabling Spain to escape the humiliation of a surrender to the United States. The idea is ridiculed in Spanish official circles here. The Spaniards say they will never renounce Cuba without a heroic SENOR POLO'S PASSPORTS. Washington, April 20.-Assistant

Senor Polo will leave Washington at 7 o'clock this evening with his staff. fairs committee, has asked unanimous he had just received a message from the White House urging the necessity for the passage of the bill today. Unanimous consent was given to consider the volunteer bill. It will pass

SPATN'S TIME LIMIT. Washington, April 20.-The ultimatum announces that if a satisfactory response is not received from Spain by Saturday the president will proceed at once to carry out the act of congress. Spain's affairs have been intrusted to the French ambassador and mation of hostile intentions was then the Austrian minister. When the house was notified that the president had approved the Cuban resolutions, the statement was greeted with a tremendous outburst of ap-

It is learned later that midnight, Saturday, is Spain's furthest time limit. FIRST POINT OF ATTACK. Washington, April 20.—One of the deposition, which immediately ensued. members of the cabinet, in speaking of



war preparations will go forward with ed fact. The president, at 11:24 o'clock, renewed activity, and both the army affixed his signature to the ioint resolufor active operations. There seems to be little doubt that the first move will evacuate the Island of Cuba. The ulti- be to blockade one or more of the matum meanwhile has been prepared Cuban ports, and, as soon as the army of occupation can be transported to them, a demand will be made for an unconditional surrender. In the event of a refusal, the work of reducing the

How Nations Declare War

forts will at once be begun.

Without Warning.

[From the New York Herald.] Notwithstanding the fact that most people consider a formal declaration of war necessary before active measures can be taken, it is usually the case in these go-ahead times that no warning whatever is given.

When Rome was mistress of the ment that this government awaits perform it when necessary. In medialds was always kept in readiness to val times letters of defiance served to give warning of hostile intentions, and still later heralds were sent to throw down the gauntlet and make a verbal declaration of war.

United States embassy, and the Brit- the private brawls of a few barons and ton, Delaware, Bridge Company for ish charge d'affaires will look after a national war, for which the comthe interests of the United States in munity was responsible, but at the present day total concealment as long as possible is the almost universal rule. The object, says a writer in Tid-Bits, of this are usually either to anticipate the designs of some other power, to avoid the onus of admitting a state of war as long as possible, or to gain time by swiftness of attack. The latest instances of formal de-

claration by herald were in 1635, when war against Spain, and in 1657, when Sweden declared war against Denmark as late as 1671 war between Holland and England was was declared by solemn

proclamation. As the most recent cases are those likely to influence the conduct of nations in the immediate future, the wars of the present century are of the greatest interest at the present crisis.

In the quarrel between Russia and Turkey, which immediately preceded the Crimean war, a formal declaration was issued at Moscow by proclamation of the czar, and three days later, after the Turks were well aware of the state of affairs, operations were commenced in earnest.

In the cases of Britain and France less consideration was shown. War was formally declared by Britain on March 22, 1854, and on the 31st it was steps of the exchange. But these detheir approval and help. Before that time active operations had commenced fleets into the Dardanelles, contrary to treaty, and the forced retreat of the Russian fleet to Sebastopol, when the

allies reached the Black Sea. On Feb. 8, the Russian minister was withdrawn from London, and the British and French ministers from St. Petersburg. Although such a step usually nifies that all hope of successful diplomatic negotiation has been abandoned. and that war is likely to ensue. It does not necessarily imply a state of war, such a state requiring some definite act of hostility.

In the opium war of 1840, the Italian wars of 1847 and 1849, the Anglo-Persian war of 1856, the wars between Aus-Secretary Day has directed that Senor tria and France in 1859, Prussia and to him at once. No instructions have and Uruguay in 1864, various hostile been sent to Minister Woodford, the acts were committed before any dedepartment not regarding Senor Polo's claration of war was made, although in letter as an answer to the ultimatum. some cases manifestoes were issued to neutral powers. In the Austro-Italian Chairman Hull, of the military af- 1866 and the Russo-Turkish war of 1877 war of 1859, the Anglo-Prussian war of consent in the house for the consider- were practically synonymous. In the the declaration and active operations ation of the bill authorizing the presi- last mentioned case, for example, the porte received a copy of the declaration on the evening of April 24, the very day on which 50,000 Russian troops crossed the Roumanian frontier.

The most notable instance in the present century of a formal declaration of war being made before actual operations was begun was that of the Franco-Prussian war in 1870. In this case the declaration was almost forced, as the French, who were the aggressors. voted large war credits on July 15, and on the following day the French minister returned to Paris. A formal intisent to Berlin, and laid before the parliament of the North German Confederation on July 20.

On Nov. 12, 1885, Britain was honored by a declaration of war from King Theebaw of Burmah, but it was a needless formality on the part of his dusky formality, for the British troops were already on the way to his capital, and the only reply to his challenge was his

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China's Probable Destiny, Says the London Spectator -Russia's Great

Advantages. The most probable destiny of China for the next century or two is to be absorbed throughout her whole extent by the Empire of Russia. The Government of St. Petersburg greatly desires China, which will give her an immense new market, a large new revenue, and the means of fully peopling Northern Asia with obedient and industrious subjects. Such a dominlon would be as valuable to her as India, and may be much more easily obtainable. She has already her hand upon Manchuria; she can seize Mongolia with her Tartar cavalry whenever she pleases; and if the fighting strength of China is really dead, there Louis XIII. sent a herald to declare is nothing to prevent her advancing southward step by step till she governs the remaining provinces. She has by herald sent to Copenhagen; while already shown that she can govern Chinamen; and if in her advance she obtains enough revenue, she alone among nations has the means of keeping in China a sufficient garrison. She could, the necessary money being conceded, maintain an army of 200,000 Russians in China more easily than we maintain an army of 70,000 Englishmen in India, and sne has swarms of auxiliaries, principally cavalry, within her Asiatic dominion. Her supply of administrators is endless; they have much experience; and her method of government, though rough and tyrrannical, allows subject traders to grow wealthy-witness Tobolsk-and does not greatly irritate Mongol populations. There are, in truth, those who believe that Russians govern Asiatics more easily than we govern India, because the necessary provision of troops proclaimed by the high sheriff from the is not so difficult to her, and as Northern Asia yields her no revenue, she clarations were made merely to justify has every temptation to make the atthe step to the people, and to ask for tempt. Europe, for European reasons, will not fight her; and if she could time active operations had commenced bribe Japan with the Philippines, or by the entry of the British and French possibly even with Corea, Europe, could not fight her in Chinese waters. -London Spectator.

MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS' CRADLE. The oak cradle in which Mary Queen of Scots was rocked is very handsome and well preserved, though it has passed through many vicissitudes. She was precedes war, and is often regarded as born on Dec. 7, 1542, at Linlithgow Palequivalent to a declaration, it only sigof James V. of Scotland, and his young wife, Mary of Guise. The royal father never saw his child, for he was on his deathbed at Falkland Palace when she came into the world. The palace at Linlithgow was burned by Gen. Hawley's dragoons after they had been defeated by the Highland army under Bonnie Prince Charlie in 1746, and the Polo's passports be prepared and sent Schleswig-Holstein in 1863, and Brazil and got into the hands of a woman who used it for her own babies, and passed it on to her children and children's children. From her granddaughter, it was obtained about 60 years ago by Mr. Joseph V. Paton, a well known Scottish antiquary of Dunfermline, who made a fine collection of antique furniture.

A FEW RETORTS.

"Sally," said a fellow to a girl who had red hair, "keep away from me, or you'll set me on fire." "No danger of that," said she, "you are too green to

"My dear," said a father, "you mus marry a man of mature age; wha think you of a husband of 50? think two of 25 would be better, paper. A man said to a pettifogging lawye "Is there a cause so bad, or an individual so infamous, that your service: cannot be obtained?" "I cannot say," said the barrister; "what have you been doing?"

A Yankee peddler in his cart, overtaking another, asked him what he was carrying. 'Drugs," was the reply. "Go ahead," said the former, 'I carry tombstones.

A lady said to Garrick: 'I wish, sir, you were taller." Garrick replied: "My dear madam, I should be happy to stand higher in your estimation. "Small thanks to you," said a plaint-