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Whole or separate tenders will be received by the undersigned for the erection of a two story frame house on Cross St., City, up to 12 o'clock noon, Saturday 21st inst., same to have basement, hot air heating, plumbing, etc. Tenders must be sealed and addressed to A. E. Pilkey, and left at the office of Powell & Carswell, Archts.

Notice to Contractors.

Whole or separate tenders will be received up to noon on Saturday, the 21st inst., for the erection of a frame residence for E. J. Toll, Ridge Road, Harwich.

All tenders to be addressed to E. J. Toll, and left at the office of the undersigned where plans and specifications may be seen.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

POWELL & CARSWELL, Architects.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Whole or separate tenders will be received by the undersigned for the erection of a two story Frame House on Wellington St., City, up to noon Saturday, May 28th, 1898, same to have basement, hot air heating, plumbing, etc. Tenders to be sealed and addressed to Mr. W. G. Richards, and left at the office of the Architects.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Whole or separate tenders will be received by the undersigned for the erection of a two-story brick veneer house, with stone foundation, hot water heating, and slate roof, up to Thursday, May 19th. Same to be built according to plans and specifications, which can be seen at the Architect's Office. All tenders must be sealed and addressed to A. Park, and the same left at the Architect's Office by the date mentioned above. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Whole or seperate tenders will be received by the undersigned for the erection of a two story brick house with stone foundation, hot air heating and slate roof, up to noon of May 25th, 1898, same to be built according to plans and specifications which may be seen at the office of the Architects.

All tenders to be sealed and addressed to Charles Wright, and the same left at the office of the Architects, by the date above mentioned. House to be built in the Township of Howard.

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THAMESVILLE.

May 17.—Rev. T. T. George, of Highgate, occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church on Sunday night and delivered a very excellent discourse to a large congregation.

David Gage, of Newbury, is in town for a few days.

H. E. Tye was in Chatham yesterday.

Quite a number from here intend going out to Harwich to the corner stone laying of the new Presbyterian church to-morrow. A very interesting program is promised.

NO NATURAL GAS.

The Government's Inaction Spoils Any Chance

The City Had of Getting it This Year —Negotiations are off—Strong Petition to Ottawa.

The Standard Natural Gas and Oil Company wrote the council stating that they did not suppose the city would care to keep on extending the present agreement. They were still, however, in the same predicament. The government had done nothing to prohibit the export of natural gas, and until they did act the Standard Company was not prepared to give security to supply Chatham. If Chatham could get gas nearer home well and good. If not and the exportation of gas were prohibited, the company would at any time be prepared to re-open negotiations on most favorable terms to the city.

A PETITION.

Ald. Cowan later in the evening moved the adoption of the following petition, which will probably be followed by a stronger one, if Laurier doesn't give heed to it:

To the Right Honorable Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and the Government of the Dominion of Canada:—

The Municipal Corporation of the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent and Province of Ontario, beg leave to present the following petition in connection with the exportation of natural gas from the County of Essex:

1. That the City of Chatham have for some time been negotiating with the Standard Oil and Gas Company of Essex to furnish natural gas to the said City of Chatham, from their gas fields in the said County of Essex.

2. That owing to the fact that large quantities of natural gas is being exported to the United States, it will be impossible for the said City of Chatham to secure gas unless the said exportation ceases, the Essex fields being the only source from which they can obtain a supply, the City of Chatham being outside of the gas belt.

3. That it would mean a saving of thousands upon thousands of dollars to our citizens, if natural gas could be secured, as our wood supply is getting very low, and coal is very expensive compared with gas.

4. The City feel that in asking that the exportation of natural gas be prohibited the government will only be granting them their just rights, as it is our natural heritage, and we feel that it should not be diverted into another country, and to a country which is very careful not to reciprocate in any of its natural products.

We do, therefore, humbly pray that the government take immediate action in this matter and grant our petition.

IT STAYED IN.

Ald. McPhee thought the latter part of clause four might be omitted, seeing the friendly feeling that was now developing between the United States and Canada.

Ald. Reid and Ald. Sulman, (together)—Leave nothing out. Let it all go.

Ald. Cleeve—When Ald. McPhee addressed the government at Ottawa he did not leave those sentiments out of his speech, neither did his worship.

Ald. McPhee—There was no war then and we weren't so friendly.

The council decided the petition should go to Ottawa as it was.

WALLACEBURG.

May 17.—Geo. Yeates left yesterday morning to take a position in Brantford.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. Albert Little, who has been very ill for the past week, is nearly convalescent again.

Will Fuller is suffering from an attack of appendicitis.

Dr. Mitchell is removing his stables on Duncan St. to his lots in the west end of the town.

The semi-annual election of officers in the Epworth League took place last evening for the ensuing six months: Pres., Mr. Samuel Johnston; 1st vice, Miss Florence Davis; 2nd vice, Miss Nellie Colwell; 3rd vice, Mr. T. B. Dundas; 4th vice, Miss Kate Taylor; cor. sec., Miss Laura Gillard; secretary, Mr. E. Martin; treasurer, Mr. George Taylor; organist, Miss Annie Little.

While playing with some old cans yesterday the small son of C. Thompson got some lye in his eye, but being promptly attended to no bad results are looked for.

Children Cry for CASTORIA.

FOR A DASH ON HAVANA.

Spanish Admiral is Preparing

AND THEN WILL COME THE GREAT BATTLE OF THE WAR—ERRONEOUS INFORMATION GOING OUT.

Washington, May 17.—While a hundred minor details in the campaign against Spain occupy the time of the army and navy officials, one question continues to overshadow all others — where will Sampson find the Spanish fleet? Assuming that the Spanish admiral does not avoid an encounter by running away, opinion is crystallizing that the greatest naval battle of the war will be fought in the neighborhood of Havana, and in support of this theory a number of considerations are advanced. Chief among these is the entirely reliable information received by the navy department several days ago that the Spanish ministry promised Blanco at the time the blockade of Havana was proclaimed that a fleet would be sent to raise it and to relieve the beleagured city. While a dozen conflicting reports have since been current regarding the movements of the Spanish vessels the navy department now realizes that they were dispatched to Cuban waters at the time the promise was cabled to Blanco, and it is also apparent that the governor-general of Cuba confidently looks forward to their arrival.

Press advices from Havana received to-day emphasize this expectation, saying that the stock of shot and shell for coast defence has been

GREATLY DEPLETED

in the effort to prevent the landing of parties from the American ships and in replying to the bombardment of the shore batteries. Admiral Cervera is said to have a large supply of ammunition for these batteries.

Three important announcements were made to-day under circumstances which introduce an element of suspicion in each case. Admiral Sampson's destination was officially given as Cienfuegos, the Spanish fleet was said to have left Willemstad, Curacao, for western Cuba, and the appearance of a second Spanish squadron off Martinique was announced.

Whether Sampson has actually cabled the department that he is steaming for Cienfuegos or whether the report originates with Secretary Long and his aids it is suspected that the strategy board has taken a leaf out of Spain's book and hereafter may be expected to publish misleading statements regarding the whereabouts of American vessels.

It seems hardly reasonable to suppose that the secretary of the navy in one breath would declare that no more information would be given out regarding the movements of the American fleets, and in the next would proceed to locate Sampson's destination for the benefit of the Spanish admiral. The end sought fully

JUSTIFIES THE SUBTERFUGE

suggested. While it is quite possible that the Spanish fleet has left Willemstad, it is more than likely that it is in the immediate vicinity of Curacao.

The navy department has reliable advises received through commercial sources to the effect that the Spanish fleet has met several colliers near Willemstad and has filled the bunkers of every ship after having in port all the coal the strict observance of neutrality would permit the harbor authorities to supply.

In this connection, Secretary Day had a long conference with Mr. de Weckherlin, the Netherlands minister, in the course of which the latter gave the most satisfactory assurances that at no time would Spanish vessels be permitted to obtain contraband of war at Dutch ports in the West Indies or elsewhere.

The report that a second Spanish fleet had been sighted off Martinique is set down at the navy department as a canard. Its evident purpose is to distract attention from the squadron in the Caribbean sea and to cause the navy department to divide its forces in order to meet two fleets instead of one. If this is its real purpose, the device has already failed.

Another grave problem confronting the administration is the starting of the expedition to the Philippines. The departure of the first vessel has been postponed from day to day, and although it is now officially given out that the City of Pekin and City of Sidney will start from San Francisco on Thursday, it would not be surprising should there be further delay. The war department is solely responsible for this procrastination, which has demonstrated graphically how poorly prepared this government has been to cope even with a fourth class European power. If the war with Spain serves no other good purpose than to put the army and navy on a first-class military basis, without reference to any material increase in strength, the result will amply pay the cost.

TO MAKE A TRADE

Uncas Ran Into Havana Under a White Flag.

Spaniards Agree to Exchange the War Correspondents—Refused to Allow a Times Correspondent to Land.

Kay West, Fla., May 17.—The first white flag of the war courteously showed in Havana harbor when Capt. Brainard, of Uncas, approached Morro Castle to offer an exchange of two correspondents who were taken as prisoners while landing the Gussie expedition on Thursday. These were a correspondent and an artist of the World dispatch boat. When the Gussie's troops were repulsed the newspaper men were not to be found, and it was presumed they were taken prisoners. The government acted promptly to save them. The Uncas left here Sunday morning at 1 o'clock. She first went to the flagship Mayflower, where Capt. Brainard delivered sealed orders and asked permission to pass the blockade into Havana harbor. He was directed to go forward at once. As he approached Morro Castle under the white flag he signaled for instructions. First Morro replied: "Wait for instructions, but by no means anchor." Later a launch came to meet the Uncas and took aboard Capt. Brainard and Mr. Knight, of the London Times, who is trying to enter Havana and remain there. They were carried closely into shore, where they met a second launch bearing Blanco's aide and the British consul, who is acting for the Americans. First advices were that prisoners were receiving the best treatment and would willingly be exchanged for Spanish prisoners as soon as proper formalities were complied with. The British consul has looked for their comfort. It now depends on this government to send two of the prisoners in Atlanta on a boat into Havana, where the two Americans will be returned. The Times correspondent was not permitted to land, in spite of full permission from the government at Madrid. He was directed to enter on a neutral boat, when he will be allowed to remain.

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BLENHEIM

May 17.—E. L. Case, of Cleveland, is renewing old acquaintances here this last few days.

Rev. J. G. Hooper and Mrs. Hooper, Morpeth, were visiting friends in town yesterday.

The large flag pole given by the government was placed in position yesterday at the school.

The anniversary services in the presbyterian church last Sunday were a decided success, Rev. Mr. Tolmie, Windsor, preaching. Last night a high class concert was given. The church was packed to the doors. Dr. Samson, Windsor, acted as chairman in his usual agreeable way. Rev. Mr. McLaren is to be congratulated on the success of both the Sunday services and the concert last night.

A meeting of the shareholders of the steamer Jubilee was held in R. L. Gosnell's office Saturday. It was decided that boat should run again this year as last from the piers to the foot of the Eau and be available for excursion parties. Capt. Hackbloom of Thessalon will be in charge this summer. The boat will commence running on the 24th of May.

Several scorchers from other towns were racing through our streets on Sunday. Constable Grant very properly took a hand in and gave them a warning.

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.·. G. E. YOUNG .·.

TILBURY

May 17.—Rev. Robert Wilson, of Birr, arrived yesterday on a visit to his father here, who is very ill.

In all probability Tilbury will send two fire companies to the tournament at Essex on Queen's Birthday.

The Gleaners of the Methodist church will hold a box social in Anderson hall on Friday evening next.

In addition to the baseball game on Queen's Birthday with Belle River, a football game is also being arranged, and Tilbury will have a small-sized celebration of its own.

Mrs. James Stewart is visiting her daughter in Woodstock.

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DRESDEN.

May 17.—J. R. Stone, valuator for the Hamilton Providence Insurance Co., was in town yesterday.

A horse belonging to E. Miller ran away yesterday morning, causing some little excitement.

Mr. McCann spent Sunday in Toronto, returning home yesterday.

Mrs. M. L. Ryan and Mrs. Thomas Ennett drove out to Ennett yesterday to see Miss Blanche Paling, who is very low.

Miss Laura Rudd was in Ennett yesterday visiting Miss Blanche Paling.

The new sprinkling-cart, which was purchased in London, made its first appearance yesterday. It is a decided improvement upon the old one.

The Epworth League held a pleasant and well attended concert in the Methodist church last evening.

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