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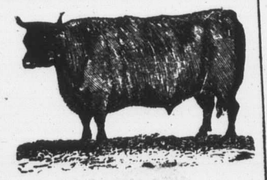

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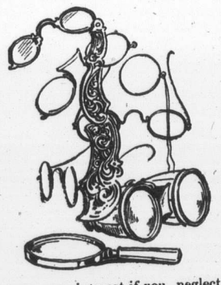

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President McKinley Will Send It to Congress Wednesday.

FAVORS CUBAN INDEPENDENCE.

The Intervention of Pope Leo Volunteered—His Holiness Would Not Act Unless Armistice in Cuba Was Granted—Sagasta's Last Chance to Save Havana Harbor Mined?

Washington, D.C., April 5.—The President has completed his Cuban message, and it will be presented to Congress on Wednesday.

Will Recognize Cuban Independence.

Washington, April 5.—A leading Administration member of Congress, after a close conference at the White House yesterday, said:

"The message will go into Congress about Wednesday. The President has taken a very firm and determined attitude, and he means to carry out that policy to the letter. The President intends to recognize Cuban independence and may go further than that and propose intervention. This is his policy, and it will be disclosed in the official action very shortly."

$16,000,000 Damages Claimed.

Washington, April 5.—Claims against Spain aggregating $16,000,00 for accident and loss incident to the war in Cuba have been filed with the State Department by citizens of the United States residing in that country. They cover claims for personal injury, imprisonment, loss of stock, burning of sugar plantations, etc.

A FREE CUBA.

Nothing Less Will Do for President McKinley and His Advisers, Say the Reports From Washington.

Washington, D.C., April 5.—The two foremost branches of the Cuban question in Washington yesterday were the President's message and European mediation, which now has taken an active form in the courts of Europe, according to advices received at foreign embassies here, though no proffer has been made to the United States. Regarding the first, it can be stated that it is fully expected by the Administration that the message will be sent to Congress on Wednesday in all probability, and certainly by Thursday.

Members of Mr. McKinley's Cabinet and his friends in Congress stated definitely yesterday that it will deal vigorously with the question, will include the Maine incident, and will make definite recommendations to Congress, one of which will be the recognition of Cuban independence. As to the mediation of Europe or the Pope, they declare that these material and moral powers must exercise their suasion on Spain, for this Government will insist on independence of Cuba as an ultimate sine quo non, unless the insurgents themselves should consent to less, and this they flatly refused to do. Speaking on this point, one of the Cabinet officers said yesterday: "You can say for me that all the power of Europe and the heads of all the churches may propose mediation to Spain if they desire, but the United States will positively not listen to mediation of any kind that does not lead to the acceptance of our condition, which is the independence of Cuba."

While there was no attempt to force consideration for a resolution regarding the Cuban situation in the House yesterday, there was a brief outbreak, in the course of which the warlike temper of the crowded galleries was so manifest that Speaker Reed threatened to clear them if it was repeated. The outbreak occurred over a bill to authorize the President to erect temporary fortifications in case of emergency on land, when the written consent of the owners was obtained, without awaiting legal formalities. This led to a demand by Mr. Bailey, the Democrat leader, for information as to the facts which warranted all these war measures. The particular statement which aroused the galleries was to the effect that, while the Democrats were willing to wait any reasonable time for the President to transmit a message that would meet the approval of the American people, they would not wait a minute for him to continue negotiations with the "butchers of Spain," when the demonstrations in the gallery were rebuked by the Speaker. He declared that the galleries were the American people in miniature.

Mr. Cannon accused Mr. Bailey of "posturing," and playing to the galleries. The bill was passed.

SUBMARINE MINES.

They Were of the Gibbons Pattern and It Is Thought That a Ground Mine Blew Up the Maine.

London, April 5.—Details have been obtained by the Associated Press of the manufacture of submarine mines in London for Spain, which was first brought to the attention of the United States Embassy and cabled to the Associated Press on March 5. A man whose cards describe him as being an electrical engineer, and whose name was forwarded at the time to Washington, then said he sold to Spanish officers in London several years ago a large number of mines, eight or ten of which were placed in Havana harbor.

Lieut.-Commander J. C. Colwell, the United States Naval Attache, has since investigated the matter, and has made a report on the subject to the United States Government. The facts learned strongly tend to show that Havana harbor was mined, and they unquestionably prove that Spain purchased mines for that purpose. The firm of Lattimer, Rhodes & Clark, electrical engineers, during 1887-1888, filled a large order for Spain of a lot of mines in which were used 14½ tons of guncotton. The work was done under the surveillance of General Fernandez and Captain Rustamento. The latter was then the head of the Spanish Torpedo School. By the order of these officers, the mines were divided into four consignments, for Havana, Ferrol, Cadiz and Carthagena. The mines were manufactured under the direction of J. P. Gibbons, after Gibbons' patents, which are described in Slamen's book on torpedoes and mines.

Gibbons, from whom a report of the Associated Press obtains the information, and who furnished Lieut.-Commander Colwell with a written statement of the above facts and outlined his theory of the explosion which wrecked the Maine, was then employed by the firm as superintendent of the torpedo department. Gibbons, who is a former sergeant of engineers and a Government inspector of torpedoes, believes the Maine's first explosion was caused by what is technically called a ground mine, containing 500 pounds of guncotton, several of which were manufactured for Spain.

POPE LEO TO MEDIATE.

Report Confirmed—Made It a Condition That Spain Grant Armistice.

London, April 5.—It is announced here that the Pope will mediate between Spain and the United States, both Governments having accepted this.

Madrid, April 5.—The Pope, in a telegram to the Queen Regent, says that "As the father of all the faithful" he could not intervene unless a step was put to "shedding the blood of those who are God's sons." Therefore he asks for a suspension of hostilities.

London, April 5.—The Daily Mail, in its second edition, publishes a special despatch from Madrid, dated midnight, confirming the announcement of the Pope's offer to mediate.

London, April 5.—Premier Sagasta yesterday expressed the hope that "Peaceful considerations would influence the American politicians," declaring that the Pope's mediation is "practically the last chance of averting war."

Madrid, April 5.—Events are moving rapidly and the best informed people here believe an armistice between the Spaniards and Cubans will be proclaimed within two days.

The Pope sent an eloquent telegram to the Queen Regent, urging Spain to grant an armistice in Cuba, with the view of allowing negotiations to be carried on between the insurgents and the Cuban authorities for the early conclusion of a permanent peace. The Pope dwelt on the suffering in Cuba and urged that Her Majesty take action on humitarian and not on political grounds.

Prior to taking this action, it is said, the Pope, through a representative at Washington, asked President McKinley if it would be agreeable to him should the Pope advise the Queen-Regent to grant an armistice, and it is understood the President expressed willingness that the Pope should do anything in his power.

Rome, April 5.—The Vatican refuses to publish the text of the communications which have passed between the Pontiff and Madrid, but the statement that His Holiness has asked Spain to arrange for a suspension of hostilities in Cuba is confirmed.

GREAT BRITAIN IN CHINA.

The Lease of Wei-Hai-Wei Agreed Upon—Three Chinese Ports Opened—20,000 Russian Naval Recruits.

London, April 5.—It was semi-officially announced yesterday afternoon that Great Britain has made arrangements with China to take over the Port of Wei-Hai-Wei, on the Shan-Tung Peninsula, when the Chinese Government shall have paid the war indemnity due to Japan and the Japanese troops shall have evacuated the place. The arrangements, it is added, were made with the knowledge and approval of Japan, with which country an understanding had previously been arrived at. The latter fact was kept secret until China had actually agreed to the lease and the British fleet had assembled in the vicinity.

It is said on good authority that neither Russia nor Germany is pleased at the arrangement, and it is added that the Island of Lou-Kung-Tan, at the entrance of Wei-Hai-Wei, will be strongly fortified. It is said to be capable of being successfully defended, while the land batteries destroyed by the Japanese can be speedily reconstructed.

The Times explains that the hinterland of Wei-Hai-Wei is a portion of the Province of Shan-Tung, and, therefore, Germany's sphere. The editorials in the morning papers express satisfaction at the news, especially as implying an understanding between England and Japan.

France Will Be in It Now.

London, April 5.—The Pekin correspondent of the Times says: "The indications are that France will demand a coaling station at the mouth of the Min River, near Fu-Chou, Province of Foko Kien, where the French engineers control the arsenal and dock."

20,000 Russian Recruits for the East.

London, April 5.—The correspondent of the Times at Constantinople says: "At the audience at the palace Saturday M. Zenovieff, the Russian Ambassador, casually told the Sultan that 20,000 Russian recruits for the far East would shortly traverse the Dardanelles in vessels of the Russian volunteer fleet."

THE WEARING OF THE GREEN.

Get a Sailor Into a Cell and Mr. Wm. Redmond Out of the House of Commons.

London, April 5.—There was a scene in the House of Commons yesterday on the acknowledgment by the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. George J. Goschen, that a seaman belonging to the British first-class battleship Resolution had been sentenced to a fortnight's confinement in a cellar and to be deprived of his good conduct badge, for wearing the shamrock on St. Patrick's Day in disobedience to orders. Mr. Goshen explained that it was a matter of discipline, whereupon Mr. William Redmond, Parnellite member for East Clare, hotly replied to Mr. Goschen, and although called to order by the Speaker, finally withdrew from the House on the Speaker's order, still repeating, "It is an outrage."

FIRE AT GENERAL PRISON.

Another Total Loss of About $10,000—No Insurance.

Toronto, April 5.—Fire raged at the Central Prison for nearly four hours yesterday afternoon, and caused damage that will amount to the neighborhood of $10,000, all of which will be a total loss, as there is no insurance.

Yesterday's blaze originated in the roof of the blind attic over the Warden's residence.

The damage to the chapel building is about $4,500, and to its contents about $50. Warden Gilmour's loss is about $2,000, and the damage to the residence is about $1,000.

The funeral of the late James Tuttle, who was shot in London Music Hall, took place a Brantford yesterday.

Praise for the Duke.

The Duke of Wellington once said: "The greatest compliment I have had paid in my life was once when our fellows got into a scrape in the north of Spain and had been beaten back in some disorder. I rode up and rallied them and led them back and they recovered the lost ground. Just as I rode up one of the men stepped out of the ranks and called out: 'Here comes the man what knows how.'"—Cornhill Magazine.

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THE QUEEN REGENT.

A Firm and Patriotic Ruler Over Unhappy Spain.

CRITICAL STATE OF AFFAIRS.

The Spanish Cabinet Realizes the Seriousness of the Situation—The U. S. Side of Affairs—The War Feeling Unabated—Cuba Must Be Free—War Preparations Continue.

Madrid, April 4.—The Spanish Cabinet has decided that the torpedo flotilla is to remain at the Cape de Verde Islands until a further order. The flotilla will be joined later by a squadron composed of the armored cruiser Emperor Charles V., of 9,235 tons; the cruiser Alfonso XIII., of 5,000 tons; the armored cruiser Infanta Maria Teresa, of 7,000 tons, and the armored cruiser, Cristobal Colon, of 6,840 tons, which will accompany the torpedo flotilla to Cuba.

It has also been decided by the Government to send the armored cruisers Vizcaya and Almirante Oquendo, both of 7,000 tons, back to Havana. They will receive orders to this effect so soon as they sight Porto Rico.

At the Cabinet Meeting.

The Cabinet, which met at 8 o'clock Saturday, discussed the situation until midnight. At the close of the conference it was declared that no official news had been received at that time from Washington, but it was admitted that the Ministers were filled with gloomy impressions.

A telegram from the Spanish Minister at Washington, Senor Polo y Bernabe, was read at the Cabinet meeting, in which Senor Bernabe said President McKinley will be overruled by Congress.

Prayers Ordered by Priests.

From all the pulpits Sunday the priests read a letter from the bishop of the diocese announcing that he considered war to be imminent, and ordering prayers for the success of the Spanish arms.

The majority of the newspapers here regard war as inevitable. They think Gen. Woodford has communicated a final answer to the Goverment.

The Liberal says: "It is clear that no concession will satisfy the United States excepting the independence of Cuba, and we had better immediately end the uncertainty."

The whole article of the Liberal on the subject is bellicose in tone.

The Queen Is for War.

The Queen Regent is taking a very active part in the negotiations, and has thoroughly identified herself with the war section of the Cabinet. Her attitude is much approved by the officials in the army, and has undoubtedly strengthened the dynasty for the time being. Her Majesty is reported to have told Senor Sagasta: "I received from my husband a heritage for our son, and will never agree to have that heritage curtailed."

Senor Sagasta said to a friend, after Thursday's council at the Palace: "We went in seven men to see one woman and emerged seven women, leaving a man inside." Meaning that they went in disposed to yield, but that the Queen's patriotism and firmness inspired them. At the same time it is reported that the Queen Regent is doing much to avoid a rupture.

AT WASHINGTON.

Events Which Have Transpired Discussed and Others Predicted The Temper of Congress—Armed Intervention.

Washington, April 4.—The issue between the United States and Spain remains unchanged. No communication having any bearing upon the situation has passed between the United States Government and Spain since last Thursday night, when Minister Woodford transmitted the reply of the Sagasta Ministry to the President's propositions of two weeks ago. This being the case, the view is universally entertained, even by representative men of the Administration, that Congress, upon receipt of the President's message, early this week, will take action which must result in a severance of the relations of the two countries. This was in part foreshadowed by the action of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations Saturday in agreeing to a resolution favoring the independence of Cuba, and armed intervention if necessary to secure independence.

The Spanish Court Report.

The State Department has received the full report of the Spanish Commission which investigated the destruction of the battleship Maine. It proved to be a most bulky and voluminous document of far greater length than the report of the American Court of Inquiry. The text, as delivered to the State Department, is in Spanish, and it will take some time for the document to be translated. It covers at least 150 closely written pages of official paper, the double size of foolscap.

Callers at the White House.

The White House was, as usual, a centre point in the great activity of the day, and the President saw many public men. Some of them urged upon the President that the Maine incident be put forward as a casus belli, the general Cuban subject being subordinated to it.

Many Senators, including members of the Foreign Relations Committee and members of the House yesterday received telegrams from conservative business men in their States counselling pacific action in Cuba.

The Temper of Congress.

The state of feeling among Congressmen may be judged by a few expressions given as follows:

"We will not grant the delay that Spain has asked for," said Hugh Belknap. "Congress is ready to act. All the President has to do is to at once advise officially of Spain's reply, and we will take the responsibility off his hands. The Cortes will not meet until May 4, and, if the Queen wishes to refer to them, it is her business to call them together. The President has requested us to wait until Monday, and, if he does not act then, we will."

Senator McMillan of Michigan said: "I think it will be impossible to prevent Congress from recognizing the independence of Cuba if Spain does not give a satisfactory reply to the President's proposal by Monday morning."

Was Wasting Away.

"I could not walk, eat, sleep or sit down for any length of time. I was always in pain and was wasting away. I grew very weak and had a bad cough. I tried many different remedies, but did not get relief. Since taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, however, I am able to attend to my business." MINNIE JAQUES, Oshono, Ont.

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"I am not thoroughly posted as to what preparations have been made for war by us," said Representative Graff of Illinois, "but I am opposed to acceding to the request by Spain for further delay. I do not believe Congress will be in favor of waiting until the meeting of the Spanish Cortes. Action will be taken by us not later than Tuesday."

"I don't think it a good proposition to give Spain more delay," said Representative Fletcher of Minnesota. "The Queen Regent may not be in good humor on May 4, and may ask for further delay. We cannot afford to wait, and will not."

"The Administration has, in my judgment, acted with discretion in reference to the differences between Spain and this country," said Representative Smith of Illinois.

For Armed Intervention.

Representative Pearce of Missouri—The reply is nothing but another illustration of Spanish diplomacy. The time for action has come. I am for armed intervention.

Representative James Hamilton Lewis of Washington—There is nothing left for Congress to do but declare the independence of Cuba and treat the subject as though Spain was in no wise interested.

Spain Must Get Out.

Representative Dovener of West Virginia—I don't think much of the reply. I don't believe in it. Let them take down their flag and get out. I am in favor of giving them time to do that.

Representative Kelley of South Dakota—I am opposed to this Government taking any action regarding an armistice without consulting the Cubans. I do not believe that Spain is acting in good faith.

Representative Warner of Illinois—I would not give Spain five days time. I place no reliance in Spanish promises.

Cruiser Bought in London.

London, April 4.—Lieut.-Commander Colwell, the United States naval attache here, Saturday morning purchased from the Thames Iron Works for his Government a cruiser of 1,800 tons displacement and capable of a speed of 16 knots. The vessel carries six 4.7-inch guns and ten smaller ones. She has twin screws and has a protected deck.

Torpedo Boat From Germany.

Berlin, April 4.—The torpedo boat purchased at Schichau for his Government by Lieut. A. P. Niblack, the naval attache of the United States Legation here, passed through the Baltic Sunday on its way to England.

Spaniards Want an Armistice.

Washington, April 4.—The Spanish Minister has received a despatch from Havana, stating that the Autonomist Government there has addressed an appeal to the insurgents, asking to arrange an armistice for the purpose of arriving at terms for peace.

PROTESTED ELECTIONS.

With the Four Filed on Saturday There Are Now 41 in All—The Return of Mr. Whitney Protested.

Toronto, April 4.—Four more election protests were filed at Osgoode Hall on Saturday, two by Conservatives and two by Liberals. The Conservative protests were North Lanark, where Mr. Caldwell had a majority of 161, and West York, where W. J. Hill won by 87. The Liberal protests were against the return of Mr. Whitney in Dundas, where his majority was 126, and against the return of Mr. Allen for North Hastings, with a majority of 252. These make the protests all told number 41.

The 41 now filed are as follows:

Liberal Protests.

J J Foy, Q C, South Toronto.
H Carscallen, Q C, East Hamilton.
E A Colquhoun, West Hamilton.
W R Dempsey, Prince Edward.
W H Reid, West Durham.
A B Thompson, Centre Simcoe.
Dr Jamieson, South Grey.
T D Hodgins, East Middlesex.
M B Morison, West Hastings.
D R Macdonald, Glengarry.
John McLaughlin, Stormont.
George M Boyd, North Grey.
A T White, North Renfrew.
Dr J Barr, Dufferin.
J P Whitney, Dundas.
W J Allan, North Hastings.
Total, 16.

Conservative Protests.

Hon A S Hardy, South Brant.
Hon G W Ross, West Middlesex.
Hon Richard Harcourt, Monck.
Hon E J Davis, North York.
Hon Wm Harty, Kingston.
Col F B Leys, London.
G P Graham, Brockville.
W J McKee, North Essex.
S Russell, East Hastings.
T L Pardo, West Kent.
John Brown, North Perth.
Wm German, Welland.
J W Holmes, Haldimand.
J R Barber, Halton.
H J Pettypiece, East Lambton.
Chas M Bowman, North Bruce.
John Craig, East Wellington.
John Dickenson, South Wentworth.
John Mutrie, South Wellington.
Andrew Malcolm, Centre Bruce.
W H Taylor, North Middlesex.
W A Charlton, South Norfolk.
J Richardson, East York.
W C Caldwell, North Lanark.
W J Hill, West York.
Total, 25.

How many of these will lapse for lack of the necessary funds, and how many will be "saw-offs," even the leaders will not yet guess at.

The South Perth and West Elgin Appeals.

Mr. Justice Maclennan announced on Saturday that he had not had time to prepare his judgment in the South Perth and West Elgin election appeals, and consequently the looked-for deliverances were not given.

OLD LADY DIED FROM EXPOSURE.

Mrs. Milne Lost Her Way and Was Found in a Dying Condition.

Chesley, Ont., April 4.—Mrs. Milne, relict of the late George Milne of the Township of Bentwick, was found early Sunday morning lying in an unconscious state in a field some distance from her home. It is supposed she started late Saturday evening to go to a spring creek, a short distance from her home, for a pail of water, and as the evening was very dark and stormy she became confused and lost her way in the dark. The rest of the family were all away from home, and on their return they supposed she had gone to some neighbor's house, but towards midnight they became alarmed at her absence, and began searching for her all over the farm, but failed to find her till 3 o'clock in the morning. She was removed to her home and died two hours after her arrival, remaining unconscious to the last.

Two London Girls Dead.

London, Ont., April 4. — Maude McKeown, who was so badly burned Friday night, died at the hospital Sunday morning.

Five weeks ago Carrie Macy, daughter of Ira B. Harris, 80 Horton street, London, received a bad fall, from the effects of which she died Sunday.

Gentleman—Madam, at the price you charge for board I could rent a fine house and hire half a dozen servants.

Mrs. Highprice—True, but you'd have to do the fighting with the servants yourself. I save you that trouble, and it's worth the money.—New York Weekly.