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GOOD TRADE is induced by judicious advertising. Use The Advertiser columns and enjoy prosperity.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

DIED.

COPELAND—At the residence of Mr. W. K. Wateon, 775 Grey street, Albert Victor Powell, only son of Thomas and the late Mary Copeland, age 15 months and 6 days.

Funeral on Friday, May 27, at 4 p.m.; service at 2:30. Friends please accept this intimation.

DEACON—At 166 Clarence street, on Wednesday, May 25, 1898, Mrs. Isabella Deacon, beloved wife of John Deacon.

Funeral Friday at 3 p.m.; services at 2:30. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading, two cents per word, or ten cents per line, each insertion.

Dan. Godfrey's Military Band.

Princess Rink, Friday Ev'ng, June 3.

Subscribers' list closes Saturday evening. Plan for subscribers opens at Bell Piano Co.'s Warerooms, Monday morning, 10 o'clock. Plan for general public, Tuesday morning. Subscribe now and secure choice seats without extra charge. 42u

GRAND CONCERT AND SERVICE OF praise—Dundas Center Methodist Church, Tuesday evening next, May 31. The choir, assisted by Miss Ella Ronan, contralto soloist, of Toronto, Mr. Henry Saunders, cellist, and a string orchestra. Admission 15c, two for 25c. b

SUBSCRIBERS FOR GODFREY'S BAND please take notice that plan opens Monday morning, May 30, at 10 o'clock, at Bell Piano Company's warerooms, Dundas street. 43u

SULPHUR SPRINGS SWIMMING POND open. Hot and cold baths daily and evenings. Boat house in connection. Phone 707.

FAR GREATER ATTRACTIONS—NICER scenery, lower fares and more value for your money by taking the tourist ideal route via the St. Lawrence and the steamers Persia and Ocean: $11 70 Montreal and return from London, including meals and berth; $11 20 Ottawa and return direct connection. F. B. Clark, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

BICYCLE RIDING TAUGHT AT PALACE Dancing Academy, 476 Richmond street. Full line of bicycles $20 up. Call and see us. We want your patronage. Dayton & McCormick.

Meetings.

"A" SQUADRON, FIRST HUSSARS, will parade at the drill shed, on Wednesday evening, June 1 and 3, at 8 o'clock. Equipment will be served out at the armory, on Saturday evening, May 28, at 8 o'clock. By order, Alfred A. Booker, captain, commanding "A" Squadron. 43u

I. O. O. F.—CHANGE OF NIGHT OF MEETING to be voted on in Dominion Lodge, No. 48, this (Friday) evening. A full attendance requested. Thos. B. Parkinson, N. G.; Thos. D. Hastings, R. S. b

Domestics Wanted.

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT, ONE willing to go to Port Stanley for the summer months. References required. Mrs. E. N. Hunt, 356 Dundas street. 43c

WANTED—AN EXPERIENCED NURSE girl. Apply to Mrs. Nicholson, 493 Dundas street. 41c

Male Help Wanted.

TINSMITHS WANTED — FIRST-CLASS men. Apply at once. Wm. Stevely & Son. 43u

WANTED — WOODWORKER — WRITE for particulars. Robert Elder, Toronto. Corner Soho and Phoebe streets. b

Agents Wanted.

AGENTS — "LIFE OF GLADSTONE" — Entirely new. Complete, authentic, reliable. Big book. Only $1 50. Premiums to subscribers. Outfit, 10c. McDermid & Logan, London. 41n

LOCAL AGENTS WANTED TO TAKE orders for the Webb Glove-Fitting Corsets and Health Waists. Apply to Mrs. E. J. Webb, 304½ Dundas street, London, Ont. v

WANTED — HONEST, ENERGETIC young men, farmers' sons, teachers, students, clerks, and others who are admirers of Mr. Gladstone and would like to spend the next three months telling the matchless story of his life. We teach you how to do the work and guarantee success. From $2 to $5 a day absolutely sure. There is no fear of failure and it will be enjoyable work. Particulars furnished free. Bradley-Garretson Company, Limited, Toronto. 39n bw

ACTIVE SOLICITORS WANTED FOR "William E. Gladstone: His Life and Public Services," a wonderful story of a glorious life, by Thos. W. Handford, D. D., the celebrated English author and intimate acquaintance of Gladstone. 100 superb illustrations; over 500 pages; splendid book—only $1 50. Commissions 50 per cent; credit given; freight and duty paid; outfit free. Send six 2-cent stamps for mailing. Address The Dominion Company, Dept. 33, Chicago. 39n

AGENTS—THE MEMORIAL EDITION OF life of Gladstone is on press. Prospectus 75 cents, now ready. The great book of the century. Bradley-Garretson Company, Limited, Toronto. 28n

Wanted.

HORSE WANTED—IN EXCHANGE FOR bicycle or rig. 341 Ridout street. 42c

WANTED—HORSES AND CATTLE TO pasture. Apply W. B. Gillespie, 539 King street. 42c

WANTED — YOUR SECOND-HAND clothes; good price paid for them. A. P. Sainsbury, 90 King street. Mail orders attended to.

LONDON CARPET CLEANING WORKS—Carpets taken up and cleaned by latest process. Carpets altered, refitted and laid. All work promptly attended to. Estimates given on application. James S. Shaw, 142 Wortley road. Telephone 569 or send a card.

Lost and Found.

LOST—GOLD WATCH, SEAL AND KEY, with gold dollar attached. Finder rewarded by returning to Cowan's hardware store. 43u

LOST—BETWEEN TALBOT STREET AND Woodland Cemetery, a small silver watch. The finder will be rewarded on returning it to this office. 42c

Board and Lodging.

VACANCY FOR ONE OR TWO GENTLEMEN boarders, private family; good location. 168, this office. 26tf

Miscellaneous.

PALMISTRY REVEALS ALL—THE RENWICK House, Clarence street. 43n

FURNITURE RE-UPHOLSTERED IN THE latest design. Neatly. Wm. A. Gaze, or call at his shop, 412 Pall Mall street.

You Furnish The Feet, We Do the Rest.

That's all we ask you to do—furnish the feet. We will not only do the rest, but we will do it well for $1 98. Never before have we been able to offer so good a shoe for the money, in Men's and Women's Tan and Black, any shape.

J. P. COOK, 173 Dundas Street.

Articles For Sale.

BOLOGNA, PORK SAUSAGE, HEAD-CHEESE, 4 pounds, 25c; 2 pounds, 14c. Hams, Bacon, Butter, Eggs, lowest prices at Park's, corner Market Lane. Dressed hogs wanted.

SUMMER WOOD AT THE SAW MILL, East London. Satisfaction both in quality and quantity. Prompt delivery. Phone 1,312. S. Gillies & Son.

FOR SALE—FIVE-YEAR OLD MARE, handsome and sound, top buggy and harness good as new. Northeast corner Waterloo and Regent streets. b

BASEBALLS AND BATS—IN FACT, anything you want for summer sports. R. Y. S. SAUNDERS, 650 Dundas street, East London.

MILL WOOD AND SAWDUST FOR SALE The Columbia Handle Co., Adelaide street. Phone 1,288.

BICYCLE SUNDRIES, RUBBER CEMENT cork grips, bicycles enameled and general repairing at lowest prices. D. McKenzie & Co., 37 Richmond street.

KENES, MASONIC TEMPLE, IS THE cheapest place to buy stoves or furniture. Large stock on hand.

WE MAKE A SPECIALTY OF REPAIRING medical batteries of all kinds. The Ontario Electric Company, 141 King street. 5tf

ENGINE FOR SALE—A BARGAIN—Thirty horse-power; can be run at ninety revolutions; is in capital order; can be had at a very low figure. Address Engine, care Advertiser Office. 56tf&62tf

BARGAIN SALE IN ORGANS—WE HAVE about 20 as good as new that must be sold regardless of cost from $10 to $75, and on easy terms of payment. Heintzman & Co., 296 Dundas street.

BICYCLE SUNDRIES, CEMENT AND rubber. Bicycle repairing a specialty at Hutchinson's, 661 Dundas street.

CUSTOM PAPERS OF ALL KINDS ALWAYS on hand at Advertiser Job Department. You can have them in large or small quantities.

SHIPPING TAGS—AT CLOSE PRICES—Advertiser Job Department.

COAL AND WOOD—BEST QUALITY—W. G. Eadey, Bartlett & Parson's old stand 769 Dundas street. Phone 1134. vz

IRON AND LEAD PIPE, STEAM AND water fittings of all kinds. Smith Bros., 265 Dundas street. v

PAMPHLET WORK OF EVERY DESCRIPTION, clean and quick, at Advertiser Job Department.

ENVELOPES—PLAIN OR PRINTED—AT Advertiser Job Department.

CATALANO & SANSONE—FRESH BANANAS have commenced to arrive daily. Could give very low price on quantities (whole, sale or retail); lemons and oranges also. 303 Dundas street.

Houses, Etc., To Let.

TO LET—GRANTHAM COTTAGE, WELL furnished, lake shore, Port Stanley. Apply 27 Peter street. 42bu wvt

TO LET—BRICK HOUSE—412 PRINCESS avenue—Possession June 1. Four bedrooms; double parlors. Apply E. J. Liddicoatt, 186 St. James. 38n

TO RENT—BEAUTIFUL SUMMER RESIDENCE. All conveniences. Apply H. Cameron, Orchard Beach, Port Stanley. 39n

TO LET—LARGE BRICK COTTAGE, modern improvements, High street, south Wellington, near residence John McClary, Esq. Apply McClary Manufacturing Company. 7tf

TO LET—NO. 411 KING STREET—TWO-STORY brick. Excellent situation. Rent low. Apply 409 King street. 12tf

OFFICE TO LET—ON FIRST FLAT, MASONIC Temple Building. Apply to F. B. Leys, Masonic Temple. 93tf

Business Chances.

FOR SALE—ONE OF THE BEST PAYING saloons in Detroit. Chas. Clements, 11 Congress street west, Detroit. 40n

Business Chances.

BUSINESS CHANCE—AN A1 CONFECTIONERY, lunch room and ice cream parlor, doing good business. Good reasons for selling. Stock and fixtures about $2,000. J. F. Sangster, 403 Richmond street.

Money to Loan.

4½% We have unlimited private funds for investment on real estate security, farm or city property, improved, at 4½% interest. Write or call. Meredith, Cameron, Judd & Dromgole, solicitors, Hiscox Building, London. d&w

PRIVATE AND TRUST MONEY TO loan at 4½ to 5½ per cent on real estate security, in sums to suit. No commission charged. T. W. Scandrett, solicitor, etc., 98 Dundas street, London.

MONEY TO LOAN ON FIRST MORTGAGES at 5 per cent; on second mortgages and other security at low rates, at G. W. Francis' loan office, 90 Dundas street, London.

SUMS OF $100 AND UPWARDS TO LOAN on real estate at 5 to 6 per cent. G. N. Weekes, solicitor, corner Richmond and King streets.

$100,000 TO LEND ON MORTGAGES and notes. Tennent, McDonagh & Coleridge, barristers, solicitors, notaries, 78 Dundas street, London. Branch offices, Glencoe, Bothwell and Alvinston.

Jewelers.

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO REPAIRING—J. T. Westland, Engraver and Manufacturing Jeweler, 340 Richmond street (up stairs) London, Ont.

Business Cards.

JUBILEE HAND LAUNDRY HAS REMOVED to more commodious premises at 224 Dundas street (Spencer Block.)

DODD & CO.—PRACTICAL BUILDERS carpenters and joiners. Jobbing and repairing promptly attended to. Shop, 154 Fullarton street.

GEO. ROUGHLEY—FELT AND GRAVEL roofer; repairing a specialty; estimates on application. 200 South street, London. Telephone, 653.

It pays to insure with The Ontario Mutual Life, and stick to it.

C. E. GERMAN, General Agent. Cor. Dundas and Richmond Sts.

Musical Instruction.

MRS. AND MISS NOBLE TEACHERS OF piano, organ and harmony. Residence 526 King street. zxv

W. H. HEWLETT—ORGANIST DUNDAS Center Methodist Church, conductor, London Vocal Society, teacher of piano, organ, harmony and composition. Telephone 1,213. 418 Queen's avenue.

J. T. WOLCOTT—ORGANIST FIRST Methodist Church, teaches piano, organ and composition. 5 Prospect avenue.

ELOCUTION—MISS SHELDON, teacher. Classes of ten for the study of elocution are now being formed. Greatly reduced rates. Apply at Conservatory of Music, 374 Dundas street, for particulars. Phone 1101.

Massage Treatment.

MISS SHUFF—GRADUATE OF DR. S Weir Mitchell's Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Philadelphia. Massage and Swedish movements. 497 King street, London, Ont. Phone, 502.

Insurance.

A. N. UDY — INSURANCE AGENT — Office over C. P. R. ticket office. Telephone, 735.

Veterinary Surgeons.

J. H. TENNANT — VETERINARY SURGEON—Office, King street, opposite Market House. Residence, corner King and Wellington. Telephone.

Pawnbrokers.

PAWNBROKER — LENDS MONEY ON diamonds, watches, jewelry, etc. Business strictly confidential. Highest prices paid for cast-off clothing. Jos. Fox, 269 King street opposite fire hall.

Livery Stables.

LILLEY'S LIVERY — NO. 619 DUNDAS street, East London, Ont. Telephone 666.

THOMAS TREBILCOCK—STAR LIVERY —633 Richmond street. Best hacks, coupes etc. Light livery a specialty. Careful attention to orders. Phone 423. Open night and day

House for Sale

A BARGAIN— MUST BE DISPOSED OF

Pretty 2-Story & Attic Brick Villa

No. 567 Queen's Avenue

(Opposite the Residence of Mr. John Labatt).

Recently erected. Contains double parlors, dining-room, kitchen, four bedrooms, library, attic, furnace and vegetable cellars, bathroom, grates and mantels upstairs and downstairs, gas and other conveniences. One of the best sites in the city. Price reasonable, as the property must be sold. Apply on the premises. 42tf

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London intends to undertake the following work or improvement, and to assess and levy the cost thereof by means of a special rate, to be so assessed and levied as an annual rate according to the frontage thereof upon the real property immediately benefited by such work or improvement, according to the provisions of the Municipal Act, namely: A macadam pavement with stone curb, on Talbot street, between Carling and Albert streets; and take notice, that unless a majority of the owners of such real property to be benefited thereby (to be ascertained under the provisions of the Municipal Act, and bylaw No. 780 of the City of London, passed on the 4th day of August, 1890, as amended), representing at least one-half in value thereof, petition the said council against the same within one month after the last publication of this notice in the London Advertiser and News, newspapers, published in the City of London, the council will undertake the said work or improvement, and proceed with the same under the provisions of section 669 and the other sections of the Municipal Act relating to local improvements applicable thereto. City Clerk's Office, May 27, A.D., 1898. C. A. Kingston, City Clerk. 43uv

LORD ROSSLYN, who, since his bankruptcy has been trying to earn his living as an actor, has started a weekly journal called Scottish Life. His wife manages the woman's column, while his list of contributors includes the Duchess of Sutherland, Lady Randolph Churchill and the Marquis of Lorne.

Like an Old Clock.

Many men and women in the springtime are badly run down in health. Merrill's System Tonic is just what they need. It positively cures constipation, purifies the blood and gives tone and vigor to the system. It is a certain tonic for every organ in the body. Three weeks' treatment for 50c. Sold at Strong's pharmacy.

Our bravest and best lessons are not learned through success, but through misadventure.—A. B. Alcott.

THERE is not a more dangerous class of disorders than those which affect the breathing organs. Nullify this danger with Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil—a pulmonic of acknowledged efficacy. It cures soreness and lameness when applied externally, as well as swelled neck and crick in the back, and, as an inward specific, possesses most substantial claim to public confidence.

Havanese On 'The Ragged Edge."

Starvation and Death Staring the Poorer Class in the Face.

Business Almost at a Complete Standstill.

Gen. Schofield Claims Porto Rico Is the West Indian Key.

A Submarine Boat Builder Ready to Destroy Santiago Mines,

And Then Try His Hand on Cervera's Ships.

Supplies at Santiago Already Cut Off—Army Officer Says There Is No Use in Landing Troops There—Spanish Cabinet Discusses a Proposed Note to the Powers.

New York, May 27.—A special to the world from Havana, via Key West, says: Business at a standstill. Very few mercantile transactions are effected. Everybody avoids transactions, as it is publicly announced that all operations will be considered void. Most of the business houses on Obispo street, the main business street of the city, are closing up. There is talk that some have been transferred nominally from their present owners, who are Spaniards, to Cubans, and former individuals, to avoid confiscation, which is generally expected. Spaniards who have property are willing that Spain should accede to the demands of the United States, but the lower classes, who are daily instigated by Blanco, are fully prepared to meet all emergencies, and are, in fact, anxious that the American invasion should take place. Havana has been fortified to meet a land attack, and all the cavalry forces are concentrated in Havana province, and chiefly in the northern part of the province. Supplies are getting very scarce in Havana. The prices of goods are subject to hourly raises. Most articles have advanced in price from 15 to 35 per cent. Even well-to-do people are deprived of some of the necessaries of life. As for the poor, they are deprived of everything, and are in the same box with the reconcentradoes. These last only pray for the return of the "guardian angel," as they call Clara Barton. These people are dying daily in great numbers.

Rafael Fernandez Decastro, having abandoned the island with his family, has placed Montoro, Giborja, and Doltz, his autonomist colleagues, in a very critical situation, and they are using all means to leave the island. These men have been the supposed representatives of the Cuban people in the autonomist party. Although loved and respected before, they are now hated and despised.

The general impression is that the existing condition of affairs cannot last long without an uprising of the lower classes, as the government compels the troops to be supplied first, exhausting the food supply rapidly. If the people today had a chance to leave, fully 75 per cent of the population of Havana would take advantage of it. Many families are trying to get to the coast, as they have been told that the blockading American ships will take them off.

A DREADFUL STATE OF THINGS.

The Norwegian steamer Bratsberg, which left Sagua la Grande, Cuba, on May 20, arrived today with a cargo of sugar and 49 passengers. These passengers are principally from Sagua, although several are from Caibarien and Matanzas. Many of them were women and children. They report a dreadful state of things in Cuba, starvation and death staring all the poorer class in the face. At Sagua there were only a few improvised and unserviceable gunboats and only a few troops left to guard the city. In Matanzas there were from 12,000 to 14,000 troops. The insurgents were reported to be gaining in numbers daily. Many of the inhabitants had abandoned the towns and villages and fled to the interior.

PORTO RICO THE KEY.

A special to the Press from Washington says: Gen. Schofield, who is giving the president the benefit of his experience and advising him upon military operations, holds that Porto Rico is the key of the West Indian situation for the present. He insists that Porto Rico must be taken before Cuba falls, or it cannot be occupied at all, as the war should end then. The president is said to be undecided, in the face of these conflicting views, about the line of action to pursue towards Porto Rico. Secretary Alger is opposed to occupying or attacking Porto Rico at this time.

A NEW SUBMARINE TERROR.

New York, May 27.—The Press says: J. J. Holland, builder of the Holland submarine boat, has gone to Washington with Col. C. F. Creecey, for the purpose of making an offer to the United States Government, which, if accepted, will perhaps solve the problem of how to destroy Cervera's fleet. Mr. Holland will submit his proposition to the secretary of the navy at once. He is willing to undertake to sail his sub-marine boat into the channel of the narrow entrance to Santiago harbor, destroy the mines planted there, and, if necessary, proceed into the harbor and deal a few blows at Cervera's vessels. Mr. Holland declares that his plan to do this is entirely feasible, the boat is in shape and ready for the work, and he will agree, if the secretary of the navy thinks favorably of his proposition, to obtain a crew of volunteers for the work.

All that Mr. Holland will ask of the secretary is the transportation of his vessel and men to Cuba. Once there he agrees to do the rest. Mr. Holland proposes to take his boat to Santiago, fitting her out and getting everything in readiness under the protection of Commodore Schley's squadron. Then, when the opportune moment arrives, probably just at dawn, the Holland will start on its mission. Before it comes within sight of the fortifications which frown on both sides of the entrance, it will sink beneath the surface of the water and steal quietly toward the main channel. When this is reached it will reconnoiter to get the lay-out of the mine fields, and then, withdrawing to a safe distance, discharge one or more of its submarine torpedoes among the mines. This is the regular process known as countermining, which is similarly conducted, but by a vessel above the water, which lays alongside the harbor mines another series, which, when exploded, opens up the whole channel. Mr. Holland believes that by this method the channel in Santiago could be opened without great difficulty. He is prepared, if necessary, after this task has been accomplished, to proceed in his craft underneath the water into the harbor and attempt to blow up one or more of Cervera's battleships. If the navy department has not another plan for disposing of Cervera, Mr. Holland's scheme may be considered.

SPANIARDS FEAR A REPETITION OF MANILA OFF SANTIAGO.

New York, May 27.—A cable dispatch to the World from Madrid says: A repitition of the Manila disaster at Santiago de Cuba is feared by every Spaniard, as all admit in confidence if Admiral Cervera is left to fight against forces three times greater in numbers than his own. The uneasiness about the fate of that squadron, hemmed in at Santiago, has risen to the highest pitch. Notwithstanding, the official reports declare that Admiral Cervera's position there is secure, as he can defy all efforts of the American navy to enter the bay or to force a way past the batteries commanding the narrow channel at the entrance, public opinion is decidedly against his staying at Santiago.

Some newspapers clamor for his getting out as quickly as possible and making for Havana or those American ports which are least fortified.

FRENCH PREPARATIONS.

Paris, May 27.—The Matin says this morning: In view of the eventualities of the Spanish-American war, M. Le Bon, the minister of the colonies; Admiral Besnard, minister of marine, and Gen. Billot, minister of war, met in council yesterday, under the presidency of M. Faure to decide on their respective spheres of responsibility. It was decided that Gen. Billot should be exclusively charged with the defense of France, Corsica, Algeria and Tunis, and that Admiral Besnard should undertake the protection of the coasts of France and of all her colonies. M. Le Bon accepted the necessity of military preponderance in colonial matters; and decrees to carry out these decisions which will be promulgated immediately.

SUPPLIES AT SANTIAGO CUT OFF.

Herald Bureau, Washington, May 27.—There is no use in landing United States troops around Santiago at this moment for the purpose of cutting off the Spanish base of supplies around that city. The base is already cut off. This statement was made yesterday by an officer of the army, whose acquaintance with the disposition of the insurgents in Cuba is accurate and to be relied upon.

"The provinces of Puerto Principe and Santiago de Cuba are," continued this officer, "practically occupied by the insurgent forces. The bulk of the Spanish forces has long ago been moved westward, and Puerto Principe is now so wholly the territory of the insurgents that even their cattle and other stock roam unmolested throughout the entire province."

CROSSING THE LINE.

Key West, Fla., May 27.—The Oregon is the first American battleship that has crossed the equator. When she passed the line, Father Neptune went on board in his legendary garb, and performed the orthodox role of the sea god, baptizing every marine with buckets of briny water.

LONG CRUISE OF THE DANDY.

Montego Bay, Jamaica, May 27.—After a journey of almost a thousand miles through a blinding rain, and seas which almost ceaselessly swept the deck from stem to stern, the Associated Press dispatch boat Dandy steamed into Montego Bay, Jamaica, short of fuel, destitute of water, and with scarcely an hour to spare. The aft water-tank, wrenched open by the ceaseless straining through a choppy sea, had been drained of its contents 26 hours before land was sighted, and the coal bunkers, emptied by an unexpectedly long and hard cruise, were cleared almost to the planking, when a rift in the fog revealed the shore of Jamaica to the anxious captain and crew. Another three hours would have left the sturdy little 100 ton boat helpless on the sea; for she has no masts to aid her in such an emergency. The Dandy sailed from Key West early last Friday in pursuit of Commodore Schley, who had left about 24 hours before. It was believed at Key West that Cienfuegoes was his destination, and the dispatch boat was trying to discover his whereabouts, but failed in her mission.

Delicious Morsels

Tea biscuits and cakes made with PURITY BAKING POWDER are simply delicious. They will be lighter, sweeter and of finer flavor than if made with any other Baking Powder.

20 Cents a Pound.

CAIRNCROSS & LAWRENCE, PHARMACISTS, 216 Dundas St. - Telephone, 255. Branch—Cor. Richmond and Piccadilly.

118,000 VOLUNTEERS.

The work of mustering the volunteers into the service of the United States under the president's first call for troops is practically completed. The number so far reported is 118,000.

SPAIN WANTS PEACE.

Madrid, May 27.—The dominant note of public opinion here is a desire to find some way to honorable peace, as Spain has nothing to gain by an indefinite prolongation of hostilities. All idea that France will intervene, however, is now abandoned, and hopes are fixed upon the possibility that Duke Almedover de Rio, the new minister of foreign affairs, will find some fitting occasion on which to take the initiative.

A MEXICAN YARN.

City of Mexico, May 27.—Telegrams have been received here by Spaniards announcing a naval battle in which the Spanish fleet won, and the Americans lost every ship and Admiral Sampson was killed.

WAR NOTES.

A Madrid cable says: A Havana dispatch reports that American warships shelled the fort at San Hilario while others reconnoitered in Cardenas Bay.

A dispatch from Manila by way of Hong Kong says 100 Spanish soldiers evacuated Corregidor Island at the entrance of Manila Bay, because they were without ammunition.

Ship captains at Manila have been informed by the captain-general that all the Caroline Islands have revolted, and that the natives are engaged in all kinds of violences and depredations.

The published statement from Copenhagen via London that pour parleurs are progressing looking to the purchase by the United States from Denmark of the Danish West India possessions, St. Thomas and St. Croix, appears to be nothing more than the revamping of an old story.

Col. Vincent De Cortijo, former commander at Cabanas fortress, understood to be a brother-in-law of Gen. Weyler; Surgeon-Major Sincon, Garcia Julian and two private soldiers, captured on the Spanish steamer Argonauta, are now on the United States revenue cutter Hamilton, where they will remain until exchanged for Hayden Jones and Charles Thrall, American newspaper correspondents, who landed in Cuba recently and were captured.

A Spanish ship, thought to be an auxiliary cruiser, was sighted by the United States warships Wilmington and Bancroft, fifteen miles off Key West, last night, and at last accounts she was being chased by the Bancroft.

Information obtained at Gibraltar from a trustworthy source says that a consignment of Krupp guns, suitable for forts or battleships have been sent from Essen, in Germany, to Cadiz, and are now on their way through Spain. It is said that they passed through the German, French and Spanish custom houses as "kitchen furniture."

BAD MIX-UP.

Vancouver, B. C., May 27.—The Queen's birthday did not pass without accident. An electric railway car with 60 tired holiday-makers on board was proceeding to New Westminster, about twelve miles distant, at a rapid pace, when the axle broke and the car completely overturned. The 60 occupants were jumbled together. Marvelous as it seems, nobody was killed. Many persons in the car were badly cut.

A TOTAL WRECK.

St. Johns, Nfld., May 27.—Later in the day it developed that the steamer reported ashore is the British steamer Bernicia, Capt. Anderson, from Newcastle for Montreal, in ballast. She went ashore off Cape Bollard, about 30 miles south of here, and became a total wreck. A dense fog prevailed at the time. The crew took to the boats and landed safely. A Donaldson liner, name unknown, narrowly escaped shipwreck at the same place yesterday morning.

A MOTORMAN'S VICTORY

Over Diabetes, Gained by the Power of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Toronto, May 23.—In a large city like Toronto, there is always much sickness, kidney diseases largely predominating. The street railway employes, exposed as they are to all the inclemencies of the weather, are particularly liable to kidney disease. But they all know how to conquer the enemy.

For instance: Mr. T. H. O'Reilly, 27 Niagara street, motorman, No. 624, was for three years a great sufferer from Diabetes. Every remedy failed to help him, till he began the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills. Three boxes cured him.

It is cases like this, where the patient and the cure are equally well known, that are the test of a remedy, and Dodd's Kidney Pills have always stood it successfully. They cure all kidney complaints.

The Fly has come to the front. 34tf