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STILL IN SUSPENSE. Preparations for war are still being actively made, but as to whether actual hostilities will occur the general public is yet in the dark. McKinley hesitates to act, notwithstanding the overwhelming demand of Congress that this government intervene in Cuba as well as the butcher's cry in Spain and to demand reparation for the can sailors and the destruction of the battleship Maine.

The latest report is to the effect that the President has prepared a lengthy message to Congress, but just when it will be sent is not definitely known. It is said that Gen. Lee has requested that its submission be delayed until Monday next in order that time may be had to get all Americans out of Cuba.

There are many surmises and conjectures as to what the message contains, but nothing absolutely definite on the subject is as yet publicly known.

It may be another week before we shall know whether we are to have peace or war.

THE ACTION OF GOVERNOR RUSSELL in dropping his fight against the Southern Railway to annul the lease of the North Carolina Railroad to that company, proves that he was not sincere in inaugurating the attack and that his game was, as frequently charged, to make political capital from the suit.

LEE PREPARED TO LEAVE. He will seek refuge on the Fern in event of hostilities.

NEW YORK, April 5.—A special to The Herald from Washington says: Consul General Lee has been instructed to turn the American consulate over to British Consul Golin, and has already made the necessary arrangements with Golin to do so. This is a more precaution in case General Lee has to leave suddenly. He is simply setting his house in order.

General Lee had a long conference with Consul Golin, who courteously agreed to do everything in his power when General Lee received orders to leave or to seek refuge on the Fern with the other Americans by a sudden uprising of the Havana population.

Consul Golin will probably have his hands full if Havana grows violent, as English residents will be regarded as Americans if the excitement is great. Consul Golin, however, believes actual hostilities between Spain and the United States will be averted.

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Orders For Naval Cadets.

ANSAPOLIS, April 4.—The naval cadets of the first class today received peremptory orders to join their ships at once and will leave here this afternoon. Their diplomas were given them only without the customary final examination.

CUBA WILL BE RECOGNIZED. Senate Committee Agrees on an Independence Resolution.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The full senate committee on foreign relations has practically agreed to accept the recommendation of the subcommittee for a resolution recognizing the independence of Cuba and recommending armed intervention if necessary to secure it.

This conclusion was reached after a session today that did not continue for more than an hour, and so far as can be learned there was no division of opinion expressed in the committee as to the propriety of this course.

The general lines of the Foraker resolution will be followed in the resolution reported by the committee. The full committee gave most of its attention to the text of the report, which will be made to accompany the resolution and which has been prepared by Senator Davis.

After the committee had been sitting for a brief time, Mr. Davis called a carriage and made a hurried trip to the White House for the purpose of comparing the text of the report with the original drafts to be made.

The committee had also Admiral Irwin before them for some time today to advise of the Spanish torpedilla and the best course for this country to pursue in meeting it.

GROUT FOR RECOGNITION. He Introduces Joint Independence Resolution in the House.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—Mr. Grout (Rep., Vt.) today introduced the following: "Joint resolution recognizing the independence of Cuba, and for other purposes."

Resolved, by the senate and house of representatives, that the United States of America recognize the republic of Cuba as a free and independent state.

That the president is hereby authorized to expend out of the appropriation made for the national defense in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, to purchase non-combatant Cubans with the necessary food, raiment and medicine, their immediate relief from starvation; also necessary implements of agriculture and seeds for planting a crop, provided the relief herein authorized is non-combatant only and shall be extended only through duly authorized agents of the United States; and to this end the president is authorized to request the co-operation of the proper officials of Spain in the island of Cuba.

Mr. Grout said that he believed the president's message would go beyond a resolution of this kind.

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CARLIST UPRISING APPEARS CERTAIN. Spanish Royal Family Badly Scared and Is Getting Ready to Ship.

Pronouncements Especially Favored From General Weyler and the Military Party—Key King Will Fly to San Lúcar de Barrameda—Refusal of Europe to Help Queen Regent.

BERLIN, April 4.—The German ambassador at Madrid, Herr von Padua, reports to the foreign office here that the Spanish royal family fears an outbreak unless the differences between the United States and Spain are soon settled.

The Carlist movement is assuming more active form and the royal family fears especially a pronouncement from General Weyler and the military party.

Everything is prepared in the royal castles for flight. The key king, Alfonso XIII, and his family are ready to depart for San Lúcar de Barrameda, an Andalusian port, where a yacht is kept ready for sailing.

The report to the queen's letter asking for the intervention of the European powers have been wholly unsatisfactory.

FIRST MOVE OF THE FLEET. Scilly Issues Orders to United States Flying Squadron.

PORT MOUTH, Va., April 2.—The steamer Yorktown of the old Dominion line landed six seamen here today, 30 of whom were assigned to the cruiser Columbia and 15 to the Columbia, which is expected to leave this morning.

The first move of the flying squadron under Commodore Schley's command was made today at the request of the Massachusetts and Oregon gunboats which were ordered to accompany the Yorktown to the coast of Cuba.

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BIG CROWD IN THE SENATE. Clay Says There is No Remedy That Does Not Give Independence.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The senate was jammed today with people interested in Cuban affairs. The Chandler resolution calling for consular correspondence was voted on, on motion of Mr. Davis, chairman of the foreign relations committee, and Weyler, and the Quay independence resolution followed.

Senator Clay of Georgia made a speech urging that if he were voted it should be so amended that it should not mean that there was no remedy that did not give independence.

Senator Eugene C. Dixon of California, in a speech in the Cuban question, declared that the blowing up of the Maine by the Spanish officials was an act of war and he believed it was so regarded by the nations of the world.

BLANCO'S ORDER A FARCE. Re-concentrados Are Now Beyond Help and Must Die.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—Rev. Eugene May, who has been traveling in Cuba, returned to his home here yesterday. His report of the conditions in that island differs in no essential detail from that of Senators Proctor, Thurston, Gallinger and others who have recently spoken and written on the subject.

"The relief of the reconcentrados is a farce, as the people to whom it applies are too ill to work and have nothing with which to start had they the strength. Blanks have been issued to the starving wretches, which are to be filled out with requisitions for whatever they need and sent to Havana. The quantity of it is that the three ends with sending in the blanks. Nothing more is heard of them."

THE RELIEF WORK IS GOING FORWARD rapidly in 210 towns, but there are between 50,000 and 100,000 reconcentrados who must die, however generous the relief, for they are already beyond help.

LARGE DEAL IN COAL LANDS. Another Big Deal of New England Money Comes to Alabama.

MOBILE, Ala., April 4.—Another "big deal" has been made in coal lands in the Florida district. The Ivy Leaf Coal and Coke company, Walter Moore and C. C. Moore, B. A., and H. W. Moore, of Alabama, have secured a large tract of land in the vicinity of the town of Gadsden, in Walker county, a part of which is owned under lease by the Ivy Leaf company.

The deal is a large one, and the price paid is \$125,000. The deal is a large one, and the price paid is \$125,000.

Ships Go to Porto Rico. NEW YORK, April 4.—The Evening World prints a copyrighted dispatch, dated April 1, on board The World's dispatch boat Triton, via Key West, which says: The Spanish warships Victoria and Oquendo no longer lie like big black watchdogs across Havana harbor. They are on their way to Porto Rico.

Orders For Naval Reserves. BOSTON, April 4.—In compliance with a request from the navy department to prepare the naval reserves for a sudden call for service by the president, Governor Russell has ordered Commander Norton to recruit each division to its maximum strength, 64, and to inspect all vessels and ascertain those which can be made available as a "mosquito fleet."

Spanish Fleet's Movements. MADRID, April 4.—The statement published last night that the torpedo flotilla of Spain has arrived at Porto Rico was taken from a newspaper here. Investigation shows the announcement to be erroneous. The Spanish flotilla has arrived at Cape Verde islands and it is said will proceed after sailing.

Bishop Against Bloodshed. SATANSTON, April 5.—Bishop C. E. Nelson of Georgia, in a sermon at St. John's, deprecated the idea of war. If there is to be a conflict, he said, it should be based on principle and not on sentimentalism.

Bitchen's African Salve. The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chlambains, Corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures Ringworm, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by White & Yancy, Marion; W. H. Dissaway, Old Fort.

Eliminate Your Bowels With Cascara. Cascara is a natural cathartic, never fails to cure any constipation, forever.

GEN'L GRAHAM AT MOBILE. Unable to Inspect Fort Morgan on Account of a Storm.

MOBILE, April 1.—General W. M. Graham, commanding the department of Alabama, arrived in the city this morning at 3 o'clock from Pensacola, and at 8 o'clock left on the United States engineer steamer for Fort Morgan to inspect the work at that place.

General Graham was seen at the Battle House and interviewed by a correspondent of the Associated Press. He said that he had no official knowledge as to troops, either black or white, being ordered to abandon the trip.

He said that he would carry out his intention as originally mapped out. He left here at 4 o'clock for New Orleans, from which place he will go to Galveston and thence he will return to Mobile for the purpose of going down to the lower bay to inspect Fort Morgan.

RAILWAY RATES RESTORED. Caldwell Resigns as a Member of the State Commission.

RALEIGH, April 2.—Another sensation in the railroad train was created today when Chairman L. C. Caldwell of the state railroad commission handed Governor Russell a letter in which he gave his reasons for a restoration of the old passenger rates in this state.

WHOLE TOWN IS WRECKED. At Least Three Hundred Caught by Flood and Swept Away.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 5.—Mayor Carney of Shawneetown appealed to congress for aid this morning for destitute people of his stricken city. He says the town is absolutely destroyed and that there is not enough food in town for one meal.

Execution of John Evans. ROCKINGHAM, N. C., April 4.—John Evans was executed here at an unusual hour, 8 a. m., for the crime of assault upon the person of Miss Lila Cole, a respectable young white lady of this town, and an employe of the Peedee mills of this place.

San Francisco, April 4.—Sharkey has refused to deal with the Olympic club, so that organization finds it necessary to look elsewhere for an opponent for Jeffries. Accordingly, a telegram was sent to sport Mahler, and he has replied favorably through his manager.

Dozen Buildings Destroyed. ROCK HILL, S. C., April 5.—Fire here destroyed 13 buildings, involving a loss of \$200,000, upon which there was an insurance of \$100,000, distributed in 10 companies. The origin is yet a matter of speculation.

Yellow Jaundice Cured. Suffering humanity should be supplied with every means possible for its relief. It is with pleasure we publish the following: "This is to certify that I was a terrible sufferer from Yellow Jaundice for over six months, and was treated by some of the best physicians in our city and all to no avail.

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Fresh and Reliable Garden Seeds. Philadelphia Onion Sets. Sale of Valuable Land.

On Monday, the second day of March 1898, I will sell at public auction at the Court House in Marion, N. C., the following divided half interest in the property of late Thomas Lytle deceased. Three hundred acres on Catawba river and Gade creek, granted to Noah Southern and Thomas Lytle, date April 9, 1861.

Also one other tract of one hundred acres known as the "Fortune Old Fields," on the south side of one fork of Catawba river. Terms of sale 10 per cent cash, balance in six and twelve months. Title to be retained until the purchase money is paid, note and approved security. This March 31, 1898. J. L. DURGIN, Adm. of Thos. Lytle, with the will annexed.

NORTH CAROLINA Superior Court. Meliowell Co. vs. Special Proceeding. John F. Poter vs. Summons. Mrs. Julia Patton and Young Patton et al. vs. Summons. DEPENDANT, YOUNG PATTON, Will Take NOTICE: This is a special proceeding for a partition of the Lawhorn lands in McDowell county, and you are hereby commanded to appear and answer on demurr to the petition of plaintiff now on file in the clerk's office in Marion, S. C., on or before May 24th, or relief prayed for will be granted. This March 24th, 1893. Signed by order: B. F. PRICE, C. S. C.