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Work on the Naval Vessels at Norfolk.

Shipments from the Ordnance Department in New York to Southern Ports—Plenty of Other Evidence that War is Regarded as not at all Unlikely.

From Laffan's News Bureau (New York Sun.)

Washington, March 5.—President McKinley is making suggestions and even giving directions to place the country in a condition for meeting any emergency. It is true that he hopes there will be no war, but what he has said to friends and advisers makes it plain he will take extreme measures to obtain satisfaction from Spain if the naval court of inquiry reports the Spanish government in any degree responsible for the destruction of the Maine. He has held frequent conferences with officials of the naval and the military departments on the subject of arranging for offensive and defensive measures. While the land forces will have an important part in the hostilities it is on the navy that the principal dependence will be placed, according to the view of the administration, and Long has had frequent consultations with the president on the subject of increasing the naval efficiency. They are at present considering the advisability of arranging for the purchase of armorclads from foreign governments.

Several offers have been received from shipbuilders who have vessels to dispose of, and some governments are believed to have expressed a willingness to have the United States take off their hands several formidable ships. Money only is lacking. Options can be obtained but options cost money and there is none at hand available. The government is believed to have an eye on two ships, both armored, which the Armstrongs are building for Sweden and Norway. Two protected cruisers under construction by the Armstrongs for Japan are also on the department's list.

Spain has also made an offer for the Brazilian coast defense vessels Deodorad and Florida now building at the French yard and for another Brazilian vessel, a sister ship of the Amazonas, building at Armstrong's. The report that the Amazonas has been secured by Spain is premature. The United States has not yet made a single offer to purchase a warship in Europe but the representatives of the United States have been collecting exact information in regard to the marketability of every warship now building in Europe.

BODIES FROM THE MAINE

Key West, March 5.—The steamer Bache left for Havana this morning on receipt of a cable dispatch from Capt. Sigbee saying that three more bodies had been recovered from the Maine wreck, of whom one was recognized as Robert White, mess attendant. The Bache is expected to return tomorrow or Monday morning, when the three bodies from the Maine will be interred in graves awaiting them in the city cemetery.

The surviving blue jackets of the Maine will be divided among the ships of the fleet today. There was a deal of grumbling because they had been disappointed in their wish to go North.

Among the bellicose population of Key West this strengthening of the crew of the fleet is looked upon as a sure indication that the navy department expects to fight with Spain.

CHILI WON'T SELL.

London, March 5.—It is scarcely an exaggeration to say that the first turn in the tide in the struggle that threatens between Spain and the United States is involved in negotiations pending between Spanish representatives and ship owners. No foreign warship has yet actually come within Spanish control, but more than one will in less than a week unless the United States comes into the market. Spain has offered Chili prices so large that the Chili representative here was confident his government would accept, but today he received a cable message saying that it was impossible to relinquish any warship so long as the strained relations with the Argentine Republic continue.

THE WORK AT NORFOLK.

Norfolk, Va., March 5.—The Puritan was docked at one o'clock today and a large force put to work cleaning the bottom of the vessel. The steam engineering department is working over time on both the Puritan and the Foote.

Nothing has been heard from the tug Underwriter which left Tuesday with the derelict "Chief" for Havana. It is known she has not gone ashore between Capt. Henry and Hatters and confidence was expressed that she had outridden the storm. The torpedo boat Winslow cast off mornings this morning and steamed out to Hampton Roads. She is on her way to Key West.

TO INSPECT FORTS.

New York, March 5.—General Merritt, commanding the department of the East will leave Tuesday on a tour of inspection of fortifications and army posts on the east coast of Florida including Key West. He will not visit the Dry Tortugas unless he receives further orders. The ordnance department made another shipment today of projectiles for new guns at Southern forts. Two other shipments will be made in a few days, one to Fort Washington and one to Sullivan's Island, South Carolina.

TO REINFORCE ASIATIC FLEET.

Washington, March 5.—The announcement has been made by the navy department today that the cruiser Baltimore, the flagship of the Pacific squadron will be ordered to reinforce the Asiatic squadron at Hong Kong. She will carry a supply of projectiles, without which the Asiatic fleet would be helpless. The move signifies an intention on the part of the administration to descend upon the Philippine Islands should war with Spain be decided upon.

ORDERS TO RUSH WORK.

Portsmouth, Va., March 5.—The commandant of the Norfolk navy yard received telegraphic instruction today from Secretary Long to concentrate all the energy and facilities of the yard on the cruiser Newark, and have her ready for service in sixty days. Reply was made that this was a physical impossibility, whereupon the department asked estimates of what was needed and the shortest time in which the cruiser could be made ready.

SICARD'S TELEGRAM.

Washington, March 5.—Admiral Sicard's telegram of yesterday stating the date when the report of the board of inquiry may be expected is indefinite is taken to mean that the board's work is not nearly completed. Several weeks may elapse before the verdict of the court will be known. Meantime the work of putting the army in condition is going on. When the board reports each member will give his official opinion.

ANOTHER WARSHIP AT HAVANA.

Havana, March 5.—The Spanish first class cruiser Almirante Oquendo arrived this morning from Spain and received a hearty welcome from the tugs and ferry boats on which were the civil and military authorities and different societies which had gone to meet her.

SPANISH SQUADRON.

Madrid, March 5.—A powerful squadron for Havana is being assembled in the harbor of Cadiz. The nucleus of the fleet is the "Flying Squadron" consisting of three torpedo boats and three torpedo boat destroyers under the command of Captain Villamiel.

SEAMEN WANTED.

Vallejo, Cal., March 5.—Admiral Kirkland has received telegraphic orders to instruct Capt. Louis Kempff, of the receiving ship Independence to sign all the able-bodied seamen he can possibly pass. The shipment of boys which has been going on for months will continue. The Charleston, the Yorktown and the Philadelphia are the best ships here, but little work is being done on them at present. Admiral Kirkland says he can prepare the vessels for sea within six weeks. There are 500 men employed in the construction department and orders have been issued for the employment of additional labor.

SPANISH VIEW OF LEE

Madrid, March 5.—The Epoca, a conservative paper, says: "We believe that just in the same manner as the Washington government acted in the case of De Lome, which was a case much less grave, so should the government define the case of Lee. The relations of that official with the insurrectionists, and his maintenance in Havana is prejudicial to the good of Spain and the United States."

ANOTHER BOND CASE.

Winston, March 5.—Judge Coble has granted a temporary injunction restraining the sheriff of Rockingham county from collecting the interest on the \$5,000 issue of bonds issued January 1, 1889, to Roanoke and Southern railroad, until further order of the court. The case comes up for trial at the next term of Rockingham court.

THE EWART INQUIRY

YESTERDAY'S HEARING BEFORE THE SUB COMMITTEE.

Butler Acting as Prosecuting Attorney—A Number of Witnesses Examined.

Special to the Gazette.

Washington, March 5.—Butler is making a vigorous fight to defeat Ewart's confirmation. The seriousness of the contest is recognized by all parties. The hearing on the charges against the judge began today before the senate subcommittee composed of Senators Spooner, Gray and Thurston. Mr. Thurston was absent from the hearing today. Chairman Hoar was present during a part of the investigation. Senators Pritchard and Butler and Representatives Pearson and Linney were present.

The examination began at 10 o'clock and continued until after dark. Frank Carter, T. A. Jones, J. C. Martin, Fred Moore, Alfred S. Barnard and others of Asheville, H. C. Jones of Charlotte and F. H. Busbey of Raleigh testified.

Butler says he has additional charges if the committee is not satisfied. Butler asked the witnesses many questions. The examination is likely to require several days. The war excitement is still hot, though the administration's policy continues a mystery.

A. M. Field and bride are here and will be in Asheville early next week.

THE FLOW OF GOLD.

New York, March 5.—The flow of gold from Europe is taken as an indication that the bankers are preparing for an emergency. The amount in transit is \$6,500,000. A still larger shipment will follow.

JUDGE HENDER DEAD.

Staunton, Va., March 5.—Judge John Newton Hender, ex-treasurer of the Confederate States, and a widely known lawyer, died at his home here today.

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MILL STRIKERS RESUME WORK

Two of the Biddeford Factories will Resume.

Wife Murder Committed in Sing Sing Prison.

Domestic Distress in Spain Daily Increasing.

Question of Abandoning Hawaiian Annexation.

An Effort to Put Through the Treaty Likely to be Made—Witnesses in the Zola Trial Fight a Duel.

Biddeford, Me., March 5.—The striking operatives of the Peperill and Tocaia cotton mills who went out seven weeks ago against the ten per cent cut in wages, voted this afternoon to return to work next Monday. Robert Macathery, agent of the two corporations would make no promises other than to assure them that the Peperill and Tocaia would not be the last of the New England mills to restore the old wages. The strikers of the York mills in Saco voted this afternoon to continue the strike.

MURDER IN A PRISON.

A Convict Kills His Wife Who was Visiting Him.

Sing Sing, N. Y., March 5.—Adrian Braun in state prison here for one murder assault, murdered his wife this afternoon when she visited him at the prison with food and fruit to add to his comfort. The murder was done in the presence of State Detective Jackson and in sight of two of Braun's fellow convicts.

Braun is employed in the mess room. He was peeling potatoes when his wife came in. She gave him food and they talked together for half an hour, apparently happily. The time was up and both pleaded for a longer visit. A few minutes later Braun whipped out a potato knife and stabbed her three times in the neck and breast and the woman fell dead. Braun was cross-examined by Warden Bulwood, but would assign no motive for his act.

DISTRESS IN SPAIN

Caused by Scarcity of Grain—Wheat Corner

Madrid, March 5.—Domestic distress in Spain is daily increasing. The scarcity of grain and the manipulation of the market have produced a dangerous situation. The market price of wheat is now equivalent to \$2.80 per bushel, including a profit of a dollar a bushel made by the Barcelonian syndicate which cornered the supply. The import duties on wheat and flour have been lowered in consequence of this condition.

HAWAIIAN ANNEXATION.

Washington, March 5.—For two hours today the senate committee on foreign relations discussed the advisability of abandoning the Hawaiian annexation treaty. In view of the fact that sixty votes, the necessary two-thirds, cannot be obtained for ratification. The members of the committee are sworn to secrecy and therefore no official statement of their action is obtainable. There is every reason

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to believe, however, that Chairman Davis was instructed to report to the senate a joint resolution providing for annexation and to press it to a vote this session. A majority for the resolution is expected in the senate but the house is uncertain.

A MODEL FRENCH DUEL.

Paris, March 5.—Col. Picquart and Col. Henry who were opposing witnesses in the Zola trial fought a duel this morning. The duel took place in the riding school Ecole Militaire. The weapons were swords and Col. Henry was wounded in the wrist.

WEAVERVILLE COLLEGE DEBATE.

Invitations are out for the twenty-third annual debate of the Clatsop Literary society of Weaverville College, March 18, 1898. "Hæc alim Meminisse Juvabit." President, I. W. Coleman; secretary, H. V. Russell; first declaimer, E. T. Hickman; first orator, W. R. Baird; subject, "There is no Conqueror but God." Query, "Is the United States in More Danger from Internal Faction of External Foes?" Affirmative, J. Roy Reagan, C. M. Lance; negative, C. S. Kirkpatrick, J. C. Bennett. Second declaimer, B. T. Roberts; second orator, G. M. Warren; subject, "The Arch Friend of America." Judges, H. B. Lance, J. S. Styles, M. T. Bowman, J. C. Ramsey, John Herrickhouse; marshals, O. A. Jarrett, J. C. Garrison, J. C. McBrayer, R. L. Doggett, W. W. Wiggins, R. C. Griggs.

CITY POLITICS

CALL FOR DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

Question of Primary Elections—Candidates for the Mayorality Nomination.

Capt. W. W. West, chairman of the democratic executive committee of the city of Asheville, has called a meeting to be held to-morrow evening in the Zeb Vance club rooms at 8 o'clock. The purpose of the meeting is to consider the question and date of a primary election for the different offices to be filled at the approaching municipal election.

The advisability of calling a primary election is a mooted question among democrats, with a majority of opinion in favor of a primary. It is contended on the one hand that the old system of nominating candidates by delegates from the different wards has been abused, to the detriment of the party's interest. On the other hand it is claimed that the voice of the people is seldom expressed in a primary election as one or more candidates manage to get out their friends, while the majority of voters stay at home.

Leaders of the party in both city and county are divided on the question. The field is full of candidates, for both city and county offices. Among the candidates for clerk of the superior court, the most coveted office, are J. McD. Watson, T. C. Starnes, N. A. Penland and George Young.

The municipal contest will no doubt be a lively one. On the democratic side for mayor the names of D. M. Luther, Judge Thomas A. Jones, George S. Fowell and Judge H. B. Carter are prominently mentioned, although Judge Carter says that he will not be a candidate. On the republican side the names of H. Lamar Guder and James Wagner are mentioned for the place. Mr. Guder says that he is not a candidate, but if his party thinks him the most available man he would not feel at liberty to decline a nomination. Neither party, however, will be in need of material for the offices to be filled in either the city or county election.

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- One lot of 3 gems at \$2.00 each.
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