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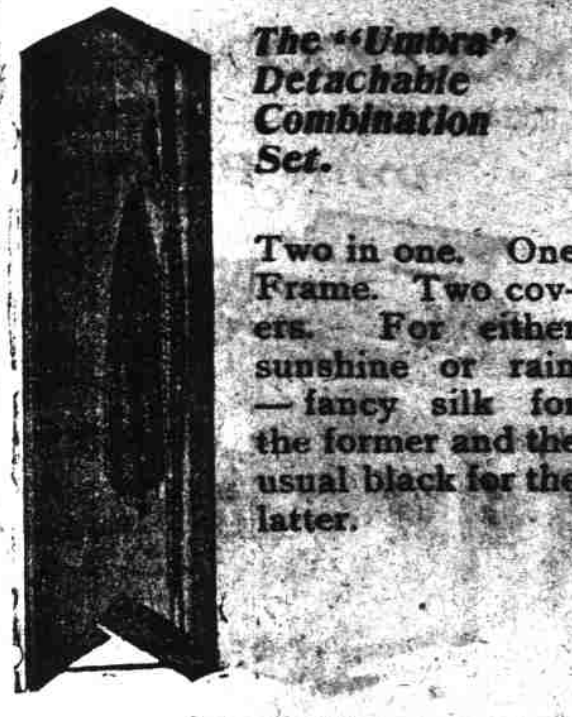
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## WOODFORD'S PASSPORTS

**Our Minister Given Instructions for Taking His Leave of Spain—First Step Toward the Coming Rupture.**

**Strong Evidence that the Crisis is Expected to Occur Soon and Suddenly.**

Washington, April 2.—President McKinley, Vice President Hobart, Assistant Secretary Day and other administration men decided this evening that the time had come for the state department to issue preliminary instructions to Minister Woodford, preparatory to his leaving Spain. Mr. Adee of the State department therefore has prepared a long cablegram in cypher, and after certain revisions it was sent to Woodford. The instructions related to his final attitude towards Sagasta, his request for passports, removal of his household effects from Madrid, and, should occasion warrant, he is instructed to require of the Spanish premier safe escort out of Spain. Woodford is not to act on these instructions until he receives word from the state department, which will probably be a single cypher word, which Woodford is to interpret: "Leave Spain."

### WAR TARIFFS.

Washington, April 2.—The treasury department had a force of clerks at work this afternoon preparing matter regarding war tariffs. The matter will be used in a letter transmitted to congress early in the week, provided war becomes inevitable. Such taxes on tea, beer, and other articles of domestic production will be recommended as were in force during the late war.

### A SPANISH STATEMENT.

Madrid, April 2.—A semi-official notice given out today states that McKinley did not insist on the freedom of Cuba. It further states that no proposal containing the slightest allusion to Cuban independence, with or without indemnity, was made to Spain, and had there been such a proposal Spain would have rejected it immediately. That there is no party or politician in Spain who is in favor of such a solution.

### THROWS BLAME ON CUBANS.

Washington, April 2.—The Spanish minister has given out a statement, the purport of which is to connect the Cubans with the Maine disaster.

### TRAIN IN READINESS FOR TROOPS.

Chicago, April 2.—The time required for Fort Sheridan's regiment to be en route is reduced four hours. A train necessary to transport men and equipments is made up and now waiting in the yards and arrangements have been effected whereby the train can be backed into the siding at Fort Sheridan in two hours.

### OFFICERS TO LEAVE HAVANA.

Havana, April 2.—Lieutenant Commander Wainworth and all the American officers engaged in work on the Maine have received orders from the navy department to return to Key West. They will leave Monday.

### ROYAL FAMILY AFRAID.

Berlin, April 2.—The German ambassador reports that the Spanish royal family fears an outbreak unless the difference with the United States is adjusted.

### ANOTHER U. S. CRUISER PURCHASED.

London, April 2.—The American embassy here announces that the United States (Continued on Fifth Page.)

### FLOTILLA MYSTERY.

Washington, April 2.—A false report last night that the Spanish torpedo flotilla had arrived at Porto Rico worried naval officers until they learned that the little engines of destruction had only reached Cape De Verde Islands. There is yet time for Schley to show what he can do with his flying squadron. The roundabout way the Spaniards are taking is explained on the ground that they expect that the southern course is less stormy and Spain is taking no chances in not getting the vessels safe to our water.

A mystery the navy department would like cleared up is what became of the second division of the torpedo boat flotilla. There has never been any reliable information that the second division left Spain for the Canaries. The vessels at Cape De Verde, it is believed, comprise the first division only, and it is feared the second joined the first, parted from it later, and is now on its way to Porto Rico. The second division is said to consist of seven destroyers and torpedo boats but nothing definitely is known.

The navy department was informed today that the battleship Pelajo and the cruiser Carlos V. would leave Monday for Cadiz to join the squadron forming there. A list and description of Spanish ships for information on coast defense was issued today.

Key West, April 2.—The dispatch boats that followed the two cruisers, Viscaya and Oquendo, report that they go to join the flotilla at Porto Rico.

### NORTH CAROLINA'S FORCES.

Raleigh, April 2.—Owing to orders from Washington Major E. M. Hayes, the attaché of the United States army in North Carolina, in company with Quartermaster General Eugene Harvell, acting for Adjutant General Cowles, inspected yesterday and today several farm tracts adjacent to the city, which is desired for the mobilization of state troops when war is declared. A farm of from 300 to 500 acres of land, within two miles of the city, well watered and with proper drainage, is what is wanted. Such a location will be secured at once. As soon as the declaration of war is made and the national government makes a requisition on the governor for troops, the state guard will be mobilized at once. It is the idea of the state authorities to secure a suitable farm location and make the permanent headquarters for troops throughout the difficulty.

The naval reserves of the state are expected to be called into service at once. There are five naval divisions in this state, and a sixth one is being organized at Washington, N. C. George L. Marton, of Dinner 35 cents at the Kiss-Me-Candy Company Cafe.

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Washington, is the commander of the naval reserves.

The order of the navy department sent Governor Russell by the secretary of the navy which was received here yesterday, and is once transmitted to Commander Morton, of the naval militia, reads:

"The department requests that you will immediately proceed to put the naval militia of your state in thorough condition to meet service by the president of the United States.

"The division should be recruited to their full strength and thoroughly drilled. A careful inspection should be made of all vessels in the ports of your state that can be utilized for a mosquito fleet, in accordance with instructions and blanks sent to the adjutant general."

The Nantuxet, which was loaned the naval reserves of North Carolina by the government, one of the six-style monitors, used in the civil war, and now stationed at Wilmington, N. C., will probably be fitted up and placed in service.

### MUSTER ROLLS ORDERED.

Washington, April 2.—Captain Jacob Miller, commander of the state naval reserves, conferred with Assistant Secretary Roosevelt in regard to signal service along the coast. The war department has just ordered muster rolls from the government printing office. It is rumored that the first troops to be mustered in will be the national guard along the seacoast. The navy yard has been closed to visitors.

### ENGLAND GLAD

That the Differences Between Spain and the United States Has Reached an Issue

London, April 2.—Since war between the United States and Spain is now considered inevitable public attention is being directed to considering how interested powers will be affected. As regards the eastern question the British government is very glad the differences between Spain and America have reached an issue, while the continental powers are correspondingly regretful. Russia, France and Germany hoped the Cuban affairs would keep America occupied for a long time and prevent her ever giving co-operation in the far east to Great Britain. England naturally hopes to see the Cuban crisis settled by a brief war, because this might give her an opportunity to win American good will, and the United States would then be able to turn attention to the great issues pending in Asia.

America has not done anything thus far in regard to the Chinese situation which would excite any European power for assuming any attitude save that of benevolent neutrality between Spain and the United States. Yet it is perfectly clear that French and German as well as Austrian sympathies are with the Spanish. Russia is too clever to allow any change in her traditional friendship for the United States to appear as yet, but manifestations of Russian hostility would be displayed in a moment if the United States ventured to criticize the Russian policy.

### TO JOIN THE FLOTILLA.

Madrid, April 2, via Henyade, France.—Despite the failure of Spain's diplomacy, both as regards a compromise with the United States and securing the assistance of other governments, today she saw a gleam of hope in the report that the pope intended to take the first step and ask Spain and the insurgents to accept an armistice. While Spain might follow the pope's guidance there is little hope that the insurgents could be induced to ask an armistice.

### ASSEMBLING OF REVENUE CUTTERS.

Washington, April 2.—The navy department today issued orders for the revenue cutters to rendezvous at Norfolk by Monday. The Windom and Manning, two cutters that are on the great lakes, have been ordered to proceed via St. Lawrence canal and report at Norfolk.

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## FASTENED THE GUILT

**Foreign Affairs Committee Declares for the Independence of Cuba and Holds Spain Culpable for the Destruction of the Maine.**

**McKinley's Coming Message Will be an Attempt to Curb the Belligerent Spirit in Congress.**

Washington, April 2.—Spain is to be held responsible for the destruction of the Maine. The senate committee on foreign relations decided this afternoon that the Foraker resolution should be adopted and it will be favorably reported to the senate. To the resolution the committee has added a statement of Spain's culpability for the destruction of the Maine. Foraker's resolution reads: "Be it resolved, by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America:

"First—That the people of the Island of Cuba are, and of right, ought to be free and independent;

"Second—That the government of the United States hereby recognizes the republic of Cuba as the true and lawful government of the island.

"Third—That the war Spain is waging against Cuba is so destructive of the commercial and property interests of the United States, and so cruel, barbarous and inhuman in its character as to make it the duty of the United States to demand, and the government of the United States does hereby demand, that she at once withdraw her land and naval forces from Cuba.

"Fourth—That the president of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to use, if necessary, the entire land and naval forces of the United States to carry these resolutions into effect."

This important decision of the committee is the outcome of Spain's refusal to grant the demands of the United States for Cuban independence. The sessions of the committee for some days have been devoted largely to the consideration of the Maine report and the collection of additional evidence on the question of responsibility for the disaster. Captain Sigbee, of the ill-fated ship, was before the committee on Thursday for several hours and again yesterday. He submitted evidence that left little doubt in the minds of the committee that the blowing up of the ship was due to an act of treachery, of which, from the very nature of things, the Spanish authorities must have been cognizant. Spain's unfavorable reply brought the committee to a prompt decision that the time has come to act. It has cut the Gordian Knot by the adoption of a resolution that is a practical declaration of war, connecting therewith the first official declaration that Spain is guilty of the crime of the destruction of the Maine.

### McKINLEY'S COURSE.

Washington, April 2.—President McKinley began preparing today a message to be sent to congress next week. It is evident

it will not be ready before Tuesday, perhaps not till Wednesday. McKinley consulted department officials, senators and representatives before beginning his task. The situation has not changed since Woodford's message was made public yesterday as far as further correspondence between Washington and Madrid is concerned. The sentiment has crystallized in congress, however, and is now more than ever favorable to a prompt passage of a measure that will amount to a declaration of war. This sentiment is based largely upon the feeling that Spain has added insult to injury in not offering an apology or reparation for the blowing up of the Maine. But President McKinley still thinks the Maine matter should be treated separately from Cuban independence. Tonight the president is more convinced than ever that every possible justification for our intervention is the necessity of relieving the starving Cubans. In fact he has decided to make his message one of peace. He thinks there is one chance for avoiding war, and of that he will try to convince congress.

Dr. Klopsch gave the president facts today regarding Cuba which he will bring out in his message. Dr. Klopsch claims that the military situation was opposite to that which Senator Foraker claimed for K. Klopsch and Foraker agree as to the condition of the starving people, but the president is now told that autonomy is a success.

### TO APPEASE CONGRESS.

He has been told congress is in no mood for moderate measures toward Spain, and is determined to settle with Spain now on the question of Cuba and the Maine as well. He is thinking, however, of finishing a caucus bill is some other session. He may tell congress should the torpedoes fleet cast anchor at Porto Rico, or if any other like demonstration of hostility come from any Spanish quarter, he would meet it with a declaration of war. At any rate he will say that the administration will act promptly when a cause for war is found, thus hoping to head off congress.

The action of the foreign affairs committee of the senate today in deciding to report a warlike resolution as soon as the message is received, shows the sentiment of that body. It is also evident that the majority of the house is ready to act on the Maine matter.

It is understood that in the event of war the French ambassador at Washington will protect Spain's interests here and the French ambassador at Madrid will protect American interests in Spain.

### NO ULTIMATUM YET.

Washington, April 2.—McKinley has not issued any ultimatum but simply notified Spain that her answer is unsatisfactory.

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