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CONTINUED PREPARATIONS

Examining Purchasable Warships-I ven if the Maine "Incident" is Amicably Settled the Cuban Question May precipitate War Before the Cuban Summer Begins-Latest Information Bearing on the Troubles With Our Swarthy Enemy at Healt.

in The Morning Post.

says that some prominent Western Retable and scalled on President McKinley sion I cannot tell." and one, in the course of the on, expressed his gratifica-

the prospect of complications with Statu passing away.

The President, who had been chatting personally up to this time, at once loomed grave, and said, earnestly: Yes, superficially, all may look well:

but we conflict tell yet. The outlook is 1. by any means."

dict next week, but, he added, that it was only a hope, as he had not received any news. Secretary Long was also So Remarked the President asked when a report might be expected. "I cannot tell," he very frankly replied. "The court is unlimited as to its movements, and as to the time which it desires to occupy in making a thorough investigation. It must realize, of course, that a speedy relief from the present uncertainty is desired, not only by the administration, but by all the people of the United States. At the

Enquiry may report, nothing definite

is yet known here. Assistant Secretary

Day stated that he expected some ver-

ment has Raised Several Millions for work for it yet to accomplish. I imagthe Furchase of Wai Vessels and Two ine," he continued, "that no report will spanish commissions Now in London be made until a more exhaustive examination of the hull of the "Maine" has been made, and how long this will take is a matter no one can now foretell.

"Then you think that the board will undertake to make still further inquiry into the condition of the wreck?"

"Without any positive information, York, March 4.- A Washington a great responsibility, and will naturalto the Commercial-Advertiser, a ly form no conclusions until it has extive paper which only prints hausted every endeavor to arrive at news with great reserve, a correct and pust solution of the mystery. When it will reach that conclu- than in any other month, except three,

NEW U. S. TORPEDO BOATS. Bristol, R. I., March 4.-The two new government torpedo boats, the "Gwyn'

and "Talbot," just completed by the in 1892. Herreshoffs, were given their official speed trials in Narrangansett Bay under favorable conditions, and both exceeded their contract speed, the former making an average of 20.9 knots pehour and the latter 21.1. The company figured that as the 'Gwyn" had been in the water about ten days and the "Talbot" only two. the slight roughness on the former would account for the slight difference between the two boats, and that they are practically equal. The average steam pressure on the "Gwyn" was 203 pounds to 194 pounds on the "Talbot" in the statement made in The "Gwyn's" engines made an averthe despatches last Tuesday that are of 430 revolutions, and the "Talbet's" 422. The naval board all express themselves as much pleased with the pereceive the tidal return and examine the boats more closely.

A Review of Business for the Past Week-

For war. Should It Come-Spanish Govern- same time, there must be a good deal of Being Done and Arranged For-Record Breaking Bank Clearances-Increased Railroad Earnings-Production of Pig Iron the Greatest Ever Known-Advance quirement contemplated by law. Their in Commercial Loans-Exports of Corn efforts were directed toward proving from Southern Ports a Favorable Fea- that with engines equipped with such ture-A Brighter Outlook Generally.

By Telegraph to The Morning Post. New York. March 4 .-- Dun's report tomorrow will say:

"There is confidence that the authorshould certainly think so. The court has ities are doing what is proper to provide for the public defence, and business is moving on with the assurance that it will not be seriously disturbed.

"Failures in February were smaller of the previous fifty-two months.

"The best evidence of general im-

provement is the fact that payments By Telegraph to The Morning Post. through the clearing house for the past week have been 28 per cent larger than

"In spite of much reduction in rates, railroad earnings in February were 3.8 per cent larger than in 1892, nearly all important sections showing gains.

"The production of pig iron is the

Damages Allowed for a Fire Thus Produced In Virginia.

By Telegraph to The Morning Post.

SPARKS FROM A LOCOMOTIVE.

ere today, in the case of B. F. Borden verses the Norfolk and Western Railroad, the liability of a railroad for fires started by sparks emanating from their ocomotives, was tested.

Borden claimed \$2,100 damages for a warehouse, which, he claimed, was set on fire by a spark from a passing engine. Counsel for the railroad contested every inch of ground, and intro-

duced models of engines, spark arresters, and expert testimony to prove that their equipment was up to the full re-

MILIIONAIRE ROUSS' NEICE

Overcomes Opposition and Marries an Impecunious Virginian. ...

Hagerstown, Md., March 4.-Relatives here today received the news that Miss Annie Cora Clapp, daughter of the late C. C. Clapp, artist-merchant, of Hagerstown, was married a few days ago, after romantic courtship, to High Hager, at the palatial home on Fifth avenue of Charles Broadway Rouss, the New

Front Royal, Va., March 4.-In court Should the United States Annex Hawaii?

CAROLINA AGAINST GEORGIA NUTIM

The Clearcut Arguments of the North Carc lina Boys Enable the Judges to Readily Award Them the Decision on That Score, But the Cracker State Lads M. de the Most Flowery Speeches and Take the Paim on Oratory-At Chapel Hill of the Klondike mining section with the Last Night.

Special Despatch to The Morning Post. Chapel Hill, N. C., March 4 .- The Georgia speakers on the affirmative side of the question of Hawaiian annexation, which was debated by the North Carolina and Georgia University men last night, delivered their arguments.

Mr. Roberts, the first Georgia speak er, showed the relations which have existed between the United States and Hawaii for fifty years, the consummation of our policy being annexation. American citizenship made Hawaii a modern civilized community. The strategic value of Hawaii makes it exceptionally valuable. Possessed by a hostile nation, these islands would be a menace to the Pacific coast. Other nations have made great naval and com- matic and Consular Appropriation bill mercial progress. To cope with them were concurred in. The evining session

YESTERDAY IN CONGRESS.

No. 81

The Flaskan Homestead Extension Bill Passed by the Senate-Other Business Transacted.

By Telegraph to The Morning Fost.

Washington, March 4 .- The Senate today passed the Alaska homestead extension bill after considerable debate. An amendment giving the Government the right to purchase, by condemnation proceedings, any railroad in Alaska, was voted down.

The bill gives rights-of-way to railroads through public lands, and extends the homestead laws, except for mining lands, along the banks of rivers, where forty rods constitute a claim.

The most important provision is Section 13, which is designed to defeat Canada's attempt to control the output 'All Canadian" route. It permits the transportation of Canadian goods in bond through Alaska duty free, only on condition that no exclusive privilege of carrying goods or passengers through Canadian territory is granted, and that American mining outfits and provisions are allowed entry into Canadian territory duty free. In addition, Canada must grant equal privileges to American miners with those granted its own citizens.

Washington, March 4 .- The House spent the most of the day under the rule setting aside Friday for the consideration of bills on the private calendar. Little progress was made.

The conference report on the Pension Appropriation bill was agreed to, and the Senate amendments to the Diplo-

spark arresters as they used, no spark of sufficient size as to do damage could nass out through the smokestack. The hearing occupied three days and resulted in a verdict of \$1,600 and interest for the plaintiff. This case was tried here last May, but later carried to the Court of Appeals, and from there returned again to this court for rehearing.

segment adds that there is ing probability that the adminisintervene in Cuba before the distribution summer begins.

STAL S CONTINUED PREPARA-TIONS FOR WAR.

had be to The Morning Post.

Led ten, March 4 .- There is full conspan and raised several millions for the publicise of warships.

The spanish commissions care now in London. One is composed of naval givens who are making technical exanimations of purchasable ships. The other commission consists of financial representatives, who are conducting the Chilian iconclads "Presidente." "Errazuriz," "Esmeralda" and "Presi-

dente Pinto, They have been offered one Brazillian warship.

More significant than this is the fact that accolutions are pending for the purchase of several fast merchant stellushins.

The Spanish Naval Board is purchas-

CONCENTRATION OF ASIATIC STADRON AT PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

by Tolestaph to The Morning Post. mital heavy some days ago were to consentitiate at Manilla Bay, Philippine Islands, only a comparatively short dis-Long Kong, Hong Kong,

the lass than two days the squadron found be drawn up in line of battle at . Marinta

The buttleship "Olympia," cruiser the surviver "Raleigh," the gunleads "Petrol," "Boston," and "Concopic and now at Hong Kong.

"In "ofynipia" will be held at Hong "Olympia" going to Honolulu. is significance of this is that the it did not care to give orders for his change simultaneously and risk of the Maine victims. A cable from

Search telegraphed today from Key are not to come to Cuba.

negotiations with the builders of ships. THE BOARD OF ENQUIRY'S WORK. Financiers believe they will obtain By Telegraph to The Morning Post.

Washington, March 4 .- It is officially admitted at the navy department that the naval board of inquiry has com-

pleted only the first branch of its investigation of the cause of the Maine explosion. No opinion is expressed as to when the work will be completed, although it is evident Secretary Long thinks the board will return to Havana very soon and make a more deme light guns and ammunition to equip tailed examination of the hull of the these vessels as cruisers to prey upon Maine and re-examine witnesses. The Secretary gives assurances that he has no information bearing upon the cause of the explosion not given to the public. This statement undoubtedly refers to official correspondence. Mc-

Kinley is in direct correspondence with Washington, March 4.-The news fea- Admiral Sicard, but it is possible that furs of foday is the concentration of the no correspondence relative to the work Asiatic squadron at Hong Kong, pre- of the board has passed between them. paratery to a descent upon the Philip- It is officially stated to be a fact that pine Islands in case of war with Spain. the President has received some infor-The secret orders telegraphed to Ad- mation of some sort over the wires.

DIVERS STILL AT WORK.

weather prevailed this morning. Everything is quiet so far as observed. The divers are at work, working slowly

but steadily during such hours as are possible in the turbid waters. A big Postoffice inspector's Report Before the barge is found useful in carrying big

that it was not sent here before. Span-Kale build the "Baltimore," now at ish divers have been down but little. attaives there and relieves Any reports sent as coming from them to investigate the murder of the negro Colon Cemetery to decorate the graves meeting today.

greatest ever known.

"The strike in the New England cotton mills does not spread, but helps to slightly better the demand for some goods.

"Money in commercial loans has advanced to 4 per cent. on the best paper, offerings and demand being restricted. "Failures for the week were 251, against 246 last year."

> New York, March 4.-Bradstreet's report tomorrow will say:

"Nearly all the signs point to an unprecedented volume of business being formance of the boats. The board will done or arranging for at the present remain in Bristol for a day or two, to time. Aggressive strength of prices, record-breaking bank clearings and they will make their home with Rouss. continued large exports; very heavy

volume of business in iron, steel and kindred lines, and generally satisfac- By Telegraph to The Morning Post. tory reports as to the volume of the spring trade at the leading distributive centers are among the leading features

of this trade development. "Nearly all of the country's cereal products are higher in price this week. "The strength of raw cotton has had an encouraging effect upon Southern trade, which is generally reported good, and better than usual at this season. "The export of corn from Southern ports is an additionally favorable feature, while the practical agreement of Southern iron producers as to prices, with generally satisfactory collections at most points, has imparted a decided-

ly cheerful tone to advices from that section.

"Cotton goods display much strength. "The aggregate clearings of seventyseven cities during the month just closed amounted to \$5,533,645,112, an increase over February or last year of 51 per cent; over February, 1896, of 35 per cent, and over February, 1894, of 73 per cent. Compared with February 1892, the heaviest February on record, Havana, March 4 .- Warm, rainy there is also a gain of more than 6 per cent.

THE LAKE CITY MURDER.

Cabinet-The Records increased.

pieces of wreckage. It is wondered By Telegraph to The Morning Post.

Washington, March 4.-The report of the postoffice inspector who was sent is likely to be incorrect. A number of postmaster, Baker, at Lake City, S. C. wreaths and floral pieces were sent to was laid before the Cabinet at the

The report was discussed at length have both ships at sea at once and Madrid denies the reports that Flotil- by the Cabinet officers, and it was dela and Spanish torpedo boat destroyers cided to increase the reward to \$1,500

knot. for the first arrest and conviction of one

York multi-millionaire, uncle of Miss Clapp. The groom is a cousin to Mrs. and commercial advantages would in-Fitzhugh Lee, his family now living at ure to Hawaii. Christianity and educa-Culpepper Court House, Va. They met tion would be given to the islands. about a year ago. At that time Mr. Hager was so poor he was sleeping in a fruit store. It was a case of love at first sight. The poor man persisted can government is regularly recognized n his attention to Miss Clapp, despite and has power to treat with nations. A day. benevolent neutrality has been our polthe protests of Rouss. The young man was forbidden to the house, but Miss icy toward Hawalian annexation. Neu-

Clapp showed her constancy by going trality is no longer possible. Annexato him at his place of business. Rouss held out until he saw it was England is inevitable. Annexation ac-

couple return from their wedding tour, constitution. When Louisiana was anweeks distant from Washington; California two months distant. Hawaii is

Lewis Again Arrested.

Washington, March 4 .- A special to

P. Lewis, alias A. M. Scales, who is tional and pr wanted in Texas for forgery, has been are responsible people. Annexation is captured in this State. Sheriff Ham- essential to the proper development of mend, of Lamar county, Tex., made the Hawaii and a blessing to our poorer capture. He located his prisoner several days ago and came to Virginia and world's commercial front will change arrested him. Lewis was taken to to the Pacific. Honolulu will become the Texas to stand trial for large forgeries Pacific emporium. The United States committed in 1891. He was captured in must have Hawaii, for it is the only Virginia two years ago and taken back coaling station within a 2,100 mile to Texas for trial, but skipped his bail radius.

tond or \$2,800, and came back to Virginia, only to be recaptured.

In the Hands of a Receiver.

By Telegraph to The Morning Post. Front Royal, Va., March 4 .-- Circuit Court adjourned today, after transact- tions. ing much important business. The ap

pointment of a receiver to wind up the afairs of the Front Royal and Riverton act of another Virginia "boom" tragedy The receiver, it is understood, will call for an assessment of the stock, so as

A Tarheel Justice Tied the Knot.

ington.

By Telegraph to The Morning Post.

couple from Isle of Wight County, Va., drove more than 100 miles across the country to get married. They were Miss Annie Harrell and C. H. Crocker, who left home last night, and at 4 o'clock this morning arrived in Suffolk, where horses were changed. Justice Walton, of Gates county, N. C., tied the

Georgia was still pre-eminent.

the United States needs Hawaii as a was held for the consideration of pricoaling and supply station. Industrial vate pension bills.

The House, at the night session, passed the bill granting a pension of \$30 a month to James . Rawlins, the son of The second Georgia speaker, Mr. Up- Gen. Grant's chief of staff, who is an inshaw, said that the Hawaiian republi- valid and destitute.

The House then adjourned until Mon-

HARRISON ACQUITTED.

tion to the United States, Japan or K'lling of Paul Stockton at Winston Was Done in Self Defense.

useless to interfere longer. When the cords with the spirit and letter of our Special Despatch to The Morning Post. Winston, N. C., March 4.-The case of which they will spend in Hagerstown, nexed, our Western border was two J. W. Harrison, charged with the killing of Paul Stockton last December, was given to the jury at 6 o'clock this evening.

> Judge Coble's charge occupied two hours. Three speeches were made for the State and three for the defendant. ere the stro heard in any case tried in this county. The jury reached an agreement of "not guilty" at 7:10 o clock, and fifteen minutes later the judge, clerk of the court, sheriff, and several others walked into the court room, whereupon the

It is understood that on the first ballot the jury stood eleven for acquittal, with the twelfth man not exactly clear on one point of the evidence. After distioned that Hawali is a strategic cussing this for a few minutes, he went

THE PANGS OF HUNGER

Already Felt in Spanish Provinces Produced by the Corner in Wheat.

By Cable to The Morning Post.

Madrid, March 4.-There is a fierce and growing feeling of indignation in Spain over the discovery of the big wheat corner engineered by prominent for a rebate of the import duties.

Senor Puigcerver, the Minister of Fi-Hawaiians are uneducated. Imperial nance, is desirous of postponing action possessions are not for a republican in the matter until the reassembling of government. The Pearl Harbor treaty the Cortes, on April 25th, but he has is perpetual. He took his seat amid tu- been told that the people already feel the pangs of hunger and cannot wait. Returns sent to the Department of Agriculture show that the crop of rendered an unanimous decision that in wheat in 1897 was 20,000,000 bushels in point of argument and close array of excess of that of 1896.

North Carolina had won, but in oratory BOX-CAR TRAMPS ASPHYXIATED.

Four of Them Found Dead Last Night at Fort Worth.

furnishes no precedent for annexation. That self government when the many Inprovement Company marks the last are awed by the few is impossible. Mr. Upshaw affirmed that annexation would benefit the United States. The Pearl harbor treaty can be abroto enable him to pay off the debts now gated, hence we must make it perma- operators, and especially in Barcelona due by the company. Much of this nent. He strongly controverted the the provincial authorities are clamoring stock is held in Baltimore and Wash- other opposing arguments. Mr. Graham maintained that the

Suffolk, Va., March 4 .- An eloping

WHOLESALE ROBBERIES IN S. C.

HONORS DIVIDED.

facts, clearly collected and presented,

After short consultation, the judges

population of our first annexations were varied and more non-homogenious than he Post from Norfolk, Va., says Robt. Hawaii's. Former ones were constituclasses, giving them cheaper sugar. The

now but ten days from our coast. The

point, and that her reputation is not a

Without annexation Hawaii would

Mr. Brogden declared that Alaska

be an apple of discord among the na-

conglomerate aggregation.

multuous applause.

verdict was rendered. In his rejoinder, Mr. Roberts men-

over to the eleven.

We with the had conferred with the	of the murderers, and \$1,000 for the ar-			Special Cor. of The Morning Post.
GENERAL LEE'E OPINION.	rest and conviction of each of the	Judge Hughes Ret'res From the Bench.	Prominent People Said to be implicated in	Dallas, Texas, March 4 Four dead
Colde Schubson that it is not yet possi- New York, March 4A local in the	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Ry Telegraph to The Morning Post.	Looting Railroad Warehouses and Stores.	men were found in a refrigerator car
be he lix the date for the findings, as Sun save authoritative information	This is the largest reward ever offer-	Norfolk, Va., March 4Hon. Robert	By Telegraph to The Morning Post.	tonight in the Houston and Texas Cen-
section h depends on the progress of the comes from Washington that Lee com-	ed by the Government in any case of	A DECRETE CONTRACTOR A DECRETE A DEC	Columbia, S. C., March 4Detectives	
in , and wreckers and the results municated direct to the President his			are uncovering a gang of outlaws in	These and two others entered the car
	ficient to set many detectives at work,		Newberry county which has been oper-	last night, closed the doors and built
the flort is being made, Admiral by exterior explosion. The marine	in addition to the regular postoffice in-	today, the time when his resignation		a fire, in a lard can, with coal.
S. ind telesraphed to an advance in-board has not yet allowed any indica-	spectors.	took effect. There was no demonstra-	Fully forty farmers, some of them the	
tion of the result of their researches to		tion or unusual formality, at his own	wealthiest in that region, are impli-	
DOALD OF ENQUIRY RETURNS TO become public, neither has it made any			cated. Seven arrests have been made.	Chas. F. Ryan, of Boston, and James
HAVANA. communication to the authorities at	fore a Federal judge, as the crime was		The plunder was stolen from stores	Taylor, of San Francisco, escaped
	committed in the United States post-	SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.	and depots. One item was forty kegs	death by crawling out of the car. One
TICLY CLICE CLICE			of giant powder. For a long time the	of the dead men is believed, from let-
at here west. are still at Key West and will probably return to Havana today or tomorrow.	property, and all offenses committed on	Routes and Dates Fixed for Field Worker	stores railroad stations and cotton	ters found in his possession, to be from
	Government property must be tried in	Hamili-Delegates to International Con-	bouses have been robbed and railroad	Danbury, Conn. Henry Howell had a
WARNING FROM MINISTER WOOD		vention.	stations and gin houses burned. But no	letter in his pocket dated Mason Creek,
Shund about Spain & Durchase			great efforts were made to capture the	Texas, November 31, 1897, from an
sups. Our Government renre-	A Fortune for the Widow Baker.	Winston, N. C., March 4The execu-		uncle. The others are unidentified.
	By Telegraph to The Morning Post.	Winston, N. C., March L-The execu-	Many citizens saw men whom they	
is reason to believe that sev- ford is said to have warned the State		tive committee of the State Sunday School Association makes the following	know driving out of town with wagon	Britain's Eyes on wei-narmet.
department by cable that in future the		route for Rev. H. M. Hamill, one of the	loads of goods taken from the stores.	By Telegraph to The Morning Post.
	s of the negro postmaster who was re-	four field workers sent out by the in-	but feared to report them, because they	Shanghai, March 4The China Ga-
survey and that favorable on	cently murdered at Lake City, S. C., re-	ternational committee during its visit	would be kined.	zette says Great Britain will occupy
THE LONDON MAILS APT BE	ceives the appropriation which Con-	to this State:	Southern railroads have suffered	Wei-Hai-Wei in the event of Japan withdrawing from that port.
it is believed that the United States . MARKS.	gress has been called upon to make,	Asheville, March 25th; Salisbury, March 26th; Greensboro, March 27th;	threatened to cease to deliver goods in	withdrawing from that port.
an option on the purchase of two I and an Manak f. The Daily Mail to	she will receive quite a fortune, viz.,	March 26th; Greensboro, March 24th, Durham, March 28th; Henderson, March	some places.	
how being built at Philadal day refere to the United States as he	\$11,000.	Durham, March 28th; Henderson, March 29th; Raleigh, March 30th; Goldsboro,	The recent robbing and burning of	Fifty Deaths, From "Black, Blister."
ing "thrown into a sudden panic" b	v Congressman white has a resolution	March 31st: Wilmington, April 1st,	Line any loge logd of goods	By Telegraph to The Morning Post.
TIME OF BOARD'S REPORT UN- CERTAIN. the report that Spain has bough cruisers, and adds that "they would have done better had they got ready fo	t pending in the House appropriating	Charleston, April 2nd.	As the immediate result of detective	Bombay, March 4An epidemic of
CERTAIN. have done better had they got ready fo	si,000 for her benefit, while Senator	Rev. James R. Jones, of Guilford Col-	work, James A. Riser and his three	"black blister" has broken out in the
Washington, March 4 - As to the time war before talking so much about it	r Mason has introduced a resolution to	LICE. Ballico In Contract	married sons, John S. Bickley and	state of Hyderabad. Fifty deaths are
Washington, March 4.—As to the time when the report of the naval Board of fight."	pay \$10,000 to her and the surviving	lege, and N. B. Broughton, of Raleigh, delegates to the international conven-	H. B. Anderson and three negroes have	occurring daily.
the naval Board of fight."	children.	delegates to the international conven- tion, which meets in London in July.	been committee to pan	
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