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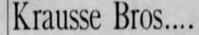
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### INQUIRY CONTINUES

Consul Lee Advises Americans to Move Their Families.

The Captain of the Battleship Maine Severely Criticised by Spanish Newspapers.

New York, Feb. 22. The Herald's Havana special says that Americans have been advised by General Lee to send their families out of Havana, as the volunteers are anti-American and anti-autonomy, and have been inspired to create trouble in case the Maine inquiry proves that the catastrophe was due to design

An Important Discovery. HAVANA, Feb. 22 .- An important dis-

covery was made today in the Maine investigation. Divers brought up a powder case for a 10-inch gun, which they took from that part of the battle- about there having been two explosions ship which was destroyed by the explosion and in which the Maine gonpowder magazine is situated.

The gunpowder discovered was in a bag, and the bag was contained in a copper case. The case was entirely Star has the following from its staff corclosed, but had an exterior mark as if respondent in Cuba: some hard object had struck it on the absolutely intact.

As the case was in a forward magaas to whether or not the magazine ex- was an accident seem to decrease with ploded, and it is the general belief that the progress of investigation. The most ant part of it remains intact.

Neither divers nor any one having official connection with the investigathat relations with the United States ward lodged in jail. tion is willing to say whether or not the magazine exploded. Any positive This is the general feeling. The comdeclaration about the matter at this time would be foolishly premature.

Yet the copper case with the powder bag intact speaks for itself. The case was taken from the Maine

magazine of the revenue cutter. Your correspondent saw it.

tric light apparatus inside the Maine, as the wire obtainable in Havana is worthless for that purpose.

very slowly on account of paucity of material.

The wrecking tug, Neptune, is eagerly expected from Key West. She will bring all necessary apparatus to raise the big guns and especially to clear away many large objects and iron pieces which are hampering the divers.

#### CAPTAIN SIGSBEE ATTACKED.

Spanish Newspaper Seriously Objects to His Course.

Among the objects brought up today is the fine silverware of the battleship, which was presented by the state of Maine, and also the loving cup presented during the last voyage of the Maine to New Orleans.

All American ships in port have their flags in full display in honor of Washington. Spanish ships are also floating

American flags. Coehbler died this morning in the San in which the poor sailor was delirious several hours, he fell into a swoon and passed peacefully away. Holtzer is

still in a very desperate condition and may die at any time. A sensational editorial was printed this afternoon in La Lucha against Sigsbee. It says Sigsbee is unlawfully forming a part of the court of inquiry. La

Lucha adds that Captain Sigsbee is judge

in his own case, and that therefore all

conclusions of the court of inquiry will be

inadmissible to every principle of justice. Navy Department Busy.

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 22 .- Work on the monitor Terror was completed at 5 today. She is ready to sail in the morn-Winslow, which were rushed even more be placed at that location. than those on the Terror, and they will be taken from the dry-dock in the morning.

sail within the next 24 hours.

Six of the seven boilers of the Puritan have been repaired and work on the day, when she will probably leave for transport heavy ordnance, and is al-New York.

The Accident Theory Not Believed. patch from Havana says:

the more remote appear the chances that any evidence will be discovered to show that the disaster was due to an accident. Those divers who penetrated in- Three Steamers Reach Victoria to the forward part of the wreck found that the whole forward part of the ship, from a point abaft the forward turret, had

board. That part of the vessel was a wilderness of debris and curled and twisted plates. The sharp jagged edges of some of the plates added danger to the difficulities of the divers. In one instance they almost cut through a rubber tube which supplied the diver with

been twisted 15 or 20 degrees to star-

One important discovery made was the position of the bodies found in the wreck, 100 of which were floating about in the torn compartments. A full score of these were examined by my informant. All of them were in hammocks and all had the arms curled upward. They looked as if the men had been startled by some sudden shock of danger, and were in the act of reaching up for their hammock hooks to swing themselves on deck when death came. This seems to confirm all that has already been said ot rising from their hammocks, the other

#### The Investigation Progressing.

dashing out the lives.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 .- The Evening

"Havana, Fev. 23, via Key West .officials here who are in constant communication with Madrid. They realize were never so much in danger as now, mon classes here are hopeful of American intervention on peaceful lines, but means of subsistance. what they base their hopes on is un-

### to the Fern and put in the gunpowder OURCOAST DEFENSE

Divers failed today to place the elec- Fortifications at the Mouth of the Columbia.

The work of the divers is progressing Big Guns Arrive for the Government Station at Scarborough Hea Opposite Astoria.

> ASTORIA, Or. Feb. 20 .- At Fort Canby, at the mouth of the river, on the Washington shore, there is at present but one company of 62 men, many of whom are recruits. There is one-15-inch smoothbore gun, five 8-inch rifles and 10 10-inch smooth-bore guns. There are also several unmounted guns, which could not be used in case of sudden necessity. The exact amount of ammunition is not known, but there are plenty of projec-

tiles and shot. Fort Stevens, en the Oregon shore, near the old fort of the same name, and the all the wreckers were confident of fort at Scarborough Head, immediately opposite, on the Washington shore, are still under construction by government engineers. No one is allowed in or near these works, and the officers absolutely refuse to give out any information. It more than a year, and that about half a these two forts. It is believed that they are not yet mounted. At old Fort Stevens are a number of dismounted oldfashioned guns. There are no troops yet at either fort, but there has been a rumor of troops coming. It is also understood that from these two forts tunnels extend under the river bed and mines are planted, but the officers refuse

GUNS FOR SCARBOROUGH HEAD. Two immense coast-defense guns arrived in Portland, over the O. R. & N. pending. ing. The chief engineer worked all last Their destination is Scarborough Head, night in the shops assisting the men in nearly opposite Fort Stevens, where they repairs to the torpedo boats Foote and will form part of the new equipment, to

East and are of the latest design, and the a government for Alaska. In a report They are expected to receive orders to feet from breach to muzzle and throwing not making three districts of the one a 10-inch shot.

They are companion pieces of the guns seventh is being rushed tonight. Eigh- with those that are to follow, will make tion. Senator Hansbrough today gave teen of her 21 furnaces have been cut in. the Columbia, a formidable bar to the notice of an amendment he will offer An addition is being made to her smooke- progress of a hostile cruiser or warship, prohibiting the manufacture, importastack. Ordinarily the remaining repairs The car which brought the great guns tion and sale of liquor in Alaska, and would consume 10 days, but it is ex- across the continent was especially con- making the offense punishable by fine pected they will be completed by Satur- structed by the Pennsylvania railroad to and imprisonment. most as much of a curiosity as the guns themselves. As the one car carries both NEW YORK, FEB. 23.—A Herald dis- guns, each weighing 70,000 pounds, unusually heavy girders and steel construc-tion throughout was necessary. Each of the further the inquiry into the causes

#### that led to the Maine disaster proceeds LATEALASKANEWS

From the North.

BLOCKADE ON DYEA TRAIL

Robberies Committed Almost Daily-Miners' Licenses Issued-Klondikers In Trouble.

VICTORIA, Feb. 21 .- Three steamers, the Danube, the Thisle and the Tees, returned today from Skagway, each with a few Dawsonites on board. There was very little gold on board and no late news. Passengers from Skaguay bring news of a blockade of the Dyea trail by miners and packers, who resisted the demand of a detachment of United States troops to go over the trail before them. It was feared at Dyea that trouble would arise over the affair.

Another shooting affair occured at Skagway in front of a saloon. Tom Ryan shot and wounded a newcomer, whose name was not given. Ryan was promptly arrested and taken to Sitka for trial

Mike Quinlan, formerly of Minneapolis, has been appointed marshal of Skagway. A jail is being provided.

Two men, whose names are not known, were detected robbing a cache at Sheep Camp, and one of them, while trying to outside; but, within, the gunpowder is The inquiry into the Maine disaster is escape, turned and fired at his pursuers, progressing along definite lines. The who returned his fire and dropped to the result so far may be summed up in the ground. Thinking that he had killed zine, this discovery is conclusive proof statement that the probabilities that it them, the fugitive turned the revolver on himself and sent a bullet through his brain. The other man was taken back it did not explode; at least, the import- intense anxiety is shown by Spanish to Dyea, where he was paraded through the streets with a placard on him, setting forth that he was a thief. He was after-

Complaints are being made at Skagway in relation to the number of men arriving there by each boat without

Among the returning Dawsonites was George Beldon, one of the last men to go up the Yukon last fall. He was one of a syndicate which purchased the little steamer from the Creek mission for \$10-000, and made an attempt to reach Dawson but got it only to Circle City, where the boat stuck in the ice. Belden made his way by dog sled to Dawson and

thence to the coast. The delay in the receipt of mail at Dawson is, according to the pr on the Danube, the cause of many coming out to the coast. They say no mail has been received since last fall, and their business is consequently paralyzed

in many instances. W. J. Beal, who arrived from Stewart river, says there is lots of gold there, but it is two expensive to get provisions up

the river. The steamer Thistle stopped at the wreck of the Corona and found that the wrecking expedition had begun preparations for raising her. As Diver McHardy had not been down, the condition of the Corona's hull was not ascertained, but

Nearly 1000 miners' licenses were

#### issued here today. Klondikers in Trouble.

SEATTLE, Feb. 21 .- A party of 40 Massachusetts men who are partners in is known that a large force of men have Alaska ventures, under the name of the Ambrosio hospital. After frightful agony been at work on these furtifications for Worcester & Northwest Mining & Trading Association of Alaska, are in trouble. dozen large modern disappearing guns. They are all ready to leave for Alaska, with their carriages, have come down but their outfits have been attached by the river and have been discharged at the sheriff. The trouble grows out of a suit by the Pacific Steam Whaling Company, of San Francisco, against the individual members of the Massachusetts

> The complaint alleges that the party engaged passage on the steamer Alliance for Copper river, but just before the steamer sailed refused to go on her. The steamship company was unable to dispose of the reserved passages and as a result claim to have been damaged in the sum of \$1360. A compromise of suit is

> > For Alaska Government.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21 .- Senator Carter, from the senate committee on terri-The guns were recently built in the tories, today reported the bill providing largest size now constructed, being 36 presented, it is stated that the reason for judicial district, is the absence of surveyed lines in the territory, which would recently set up at Fort Stevens, and, cause confusion in the matter of jurisdic-

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