

WEAKNESS OF THE ARMED SERVICES

Fleets on Both Coasts Must Be Prepared in Peace for War.

GENERAL STAFF REPORTS

Sharp Criticism of the Carrying of the Cuban Campaign Shows What Country Faces.

RECOMMENDED BY STAFF. Vessels of 5000 and 5500 tons gross, with a sustained sea speed of 12 knots.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—A remarkable exposition of the fatal weakness of the American transport resources during the war is contained in a paper prepared by the General Staff, transmitted by Secretary Taft to Senator Gallinger, chairman of the Merchant Marine Commission.

Size of Vessels Desirable. The reply of the War Department has been prepared by a special committee of the General Staff and is transmitted to Secretary Taft by Lieutenant-General Chaffee, chief of staff.

Vessels Needed on Both Coasts. As such an expedition may be necessary for either the Atlantic or Pacific Coast, the report urges that there should be on each side a number of suitable ships afloat, but if engaged in foreign trade it is not probable that one-third of those on the ocean could be obtained and made ready in 15 days.

Rescued from Ship. A fire in the galley. The terrible pounding the vessel had received from the waves had caused the vessel to strain and leak badly. Early Saturday night ten feet of water was in the steamer, and all five went out with the exception of the one in the galley.

Waves Sweep the Vessel. Only the bravest of the crew, the Lieutenant and the deck, for the sea was pounding the vessel hard and often, the waves passing clear over the deck. It was trying night, he said, and many of those on board gave up hope and awaited the worst.

Wreckage Comes Ashore. RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 14.—Maritime experts on the coast believe that the schooner "Samuel L. Russell" has gone to pieces in Hampton Roads, and that Captain Jones and four men are lost. Wreckage from the "Russell" has come ashore.

BALFOUR'S CALM

Defeated at Manchester, He Is Offered Other Seats.

FREE - TRADERS JUBILANT

Winston Churchill Declares Protection Is Dead and That a Political Uplaval Will Be Marked in History.

LONDON, Jan. 14.—"We have killed protection. This is the beginning of such a political upheaval as has not been seen in England since the days of the great reform bill. Manchester has saved reform by her exertions; she will save England by her example."

TAINY IS CALLED HOME

VENEZUELA WILL NOT RECOGNIZE FRENCH CHARGE.

American Minister Formally Notifies Castro of Severing of Relations Between Countries.

CARACAS, Jan. 14.—(Via Post of Spain, Trinidad, Jan. 14.)—The Venezuelan government has continued to abstain from renewing relations with France through M. Talgo, the French Charge d'Affaires.

Russell Informs Washington. WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Mr. Russell, the American Minister in Caracas, has notified the State Department of his action in delivering a note to the Venezuelan government on behalf of France, severing diplomatic relations between the two countries, as stated in the Associated Press dispatches from Caracas.

BIG STRIKE IN PROSPECT

Ironworkers' Troubles Will Affect Many in Kindred Lines.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 14.—President Ryan of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Ironworkers, arrived in Cleveland today for the meeting of the executive committee of his organization to be held in this city either tomorrow or Tuesday.

IRIS STRIKES A REEF.

All of Crew of Norwegian Steamer Rescued by a Fireman.

For Second Peace Conference. LONDON, Jan. 14.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the New London paper, the Tribune, says he has received a letter from Count Lamsdorff, the Foreign Minister, to the effect that the Emperor wishes to thank the British Government for an address sent to him with reference to the question of international peace.

CARTER ON THE SHERMAN

Comes Home to Command the Department of the Lakes.

Services Held in New York. NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—The services in

TRAVELS FAR ON QUEST

Russian Peasant Negotiates for Land Purchase.

Misses Landlord in Paris, but Pilgrimage Is Rewarded When He Reaches Rome.

VIENNA, Jan. 14.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—A Russian peasant passed through Vienna Christmas day on his way back from a long and tedious journey to Rome, where he had gone to perform what, in the eyes of himself and the members of his village community, was a duty of simple honesty and good faith.

First, to destroy no property in the district; second, to expel from the district once a man named Nicolovsky, the local agent of the Russian party; third, to purchase the holdings of the great landed proprietors of the district.

Our contract with you for the tilling of your ground expires on the first of January," he said, "and I have come to offer to buy the land. We do not wish you to have a bad opinion of us; we want you to know of the resolutions we have adopted. We are poor, our harvests have been bad, and the times are bad. We want to buy your land, and we will pay you as much as we can, and we will make an equitable arrangement as to the method of payment. We desire to be honest, and we will not have recourse to violent or dishonest ways."

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Of interest to everyone. Every department in the stock bright and attractive with big bargains in seasonable merchandise.

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\$8.50 Kersey Jackets... \$3.90
\$8.50 Silk Petticoats... \$4.45
Values to \$45 Long Silk Coats... \$9.85
Values to \$50 Silk Tailor-made Suits for... \$12.75
50c Novelty Dress Goods... 39c
65c Novelty Dress Goods... 47c
\$1.50 to \$1.00 Novelty Dress Goods... 65c
\$1.25 English Mohairs, Sicilians... 89c
\$1.00 Check Louise Silks... 49c
\$1.50 to \$1.25 Fancy Silks... 69c
\$1.50 Black Taffeta... \$1.19
\$1.25 Messaline Chiffon Taffeta... 79c
18c Kimono Flannelettes... 10c
2000 yards Outing Flannel at... 4c
Full size Batting in heavy sheets at 95c
45x36 Pillow Cases, ready for use... 10c

SHORT-LENGTH BLEACHED TABLE LINEN

- 70c quality, 2 yards for... 98c
85c quality, 2 yards for... \$1.35
75c quality, 2 1/2 yards for... \$1.25
90c quality, 2 1/2 yards for... \$1.48

Great bargains in Lace Curtains, Couch Covers, Portieres, Blankets and Comforters.

- Ladies' Cambrie Drawers, deep hemstitched ruffle and cluster tucks; buy all you want today at 19c
French hand-embroidered and hand-made Chemise, fine, sheer material with fine embroidered edge, eyelets and ribbon; real value \$3.50, at... \$2.25
Ladies' Muslin Gowns, high or V-shape neck, embroidered insertion and cluster tuck yoke, ruffle edge; regular 65c, reduced to... 49c

OUR COMMERCE WITH FRANCE

Balance of Trade Against the United States by Several Million.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—The total commerce between the United States and France, as shown by figures compiled by the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor, amounted in the fiscal year 1905 to about \$166,000,000.

BILLION PIECES OF MAIL

Handled by Rural Mail Delivery at Cost of 1-1-2 Cents Each.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—A statement prepared by P. V. DeGraw, Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General, regarding the operations of the rural free delivery service since its establishment up to January 1, 1906, shows that the total number of petitions received and referred was 11,890, of which 11,125 were acted upon adversely.

Mr. Brother, Monitor.

About the only time an American prince hears the truth up to the day she gets married, is when her brother talks to her, and then she never listens.

Dyspeptics

Quickly relieve Sour Stomach, Heartburn, indigestion and dyspepsia. Sugar-coated tablets. 10c or 25c. Druggists or by mail.

Catarrhs

Nasal Catarrh—halal mucous membrane, swollen, breaks. Best cure sore throat. C. I. Hood Co., Lowell, Mass. If Made by Hood It's Good.

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of the entire Quinine production of the World is consumed by the makers of Laxative Bromo Quinine

Tutt's Pills

Cure All Liver Ills.

Secret of Beauty

is health. The secret of health is the power to digest and assimilate a proper quantity of food. This can never be done when the liver does not act its part.

Doyouknowthis?

Tutt's Liver Pills are an absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, constipation, torpid liver, piles, jaundice, bilious fever, biliousness and kindred diseases.

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The Jar of Coughing

Hammer blows, steadily applied, break the hardest rock. Coughing, day after day, jars and tears the throat and lungs until the healthy tissues give way. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral stops the hard coughing. Consult your doctor freely about this.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

is a remedy that should be in every home. I have used a great deal of it for hard cough and cold, and I know what a splendid medicine it is. I cannot recommend it too highly.—MARK E. COOPER, Hyde Park, Mass.

W. G. GROVE'S signature on box. 25c

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