

## COMING TO A CLIMAX

### Spain Will Repeal a Demand for Indemnity.

### SPANISH AGENTS ON THE LOOKOUT

### One Vessel Said to Have Been Already Seized—Spanish Commissioner's Report on the Loss of the Maine Thought to Be Already in the Hands of the Spanish Government—Comment at Madrid.

MADRID, Mar. 17.—The following semi-official note was issued today: "The report of the Spanish commission on the Maine has not yet been made, but the statement of several technical officers, who have made a close study of the scene, show it to be indisputably due to an internal accident. American assertions to the contrary are therefore deplored in official quarters, as tending to mislead public opinion and render the situation more difficult from the standpoint of maintaining friendly relations between the two countries."

"It may be regarded as certain that should the American technical commission report declaring that the disaster was due to an external explosion, the public here will refuse to accept such finding, and a demand for indemnity based thereon will be indignantly repelled by Spain."

NEW YORK, Mar. 17.—A Madrid dispatch says: "It leaked out, notwithstanding great reserve in official quarters, that the government knows that the Spanish and American commissioners inquiring into the cause of the blowing up of the Maine do not agree in the conclusions drawn from their respective investigations, but that their reports clash. The Spanish commission is firm in the opinion that the catastrophe was the result of an accident. On the other hand, the American court, it is said, exonerates the officers of the Maine from any blame attributing the disaster to some unknown exterior cause."

### HOLD TO THE ACCIDENT THEORY.

### Spanish Commissioners Will Dissent From American Report.

NEW YORK, Mar. 17.—A special dispatch says:

The Spanish government expected cable dispatches from the admiral at Havana with the final report of the Spanish commission before the meeting of the extraordinary council of ministers which was summoned for last evening. But nothing will be known probably concerning the future intentions of the Spanish cabinet until President McKinley duly intimates the course he proposes to adopt. It is evident that the Spanish government has determined to stand on the defensive, while resolutely keeping its touch with public sentiment in regard to upholding Spanish rights and interests in Cuba.

The council was also to examine into the case of Senor Ceballos, whose conduct will be overlooked if he acted in a private capacity, as he seemed to indicate 48 hours ago when he cabled to the Marquis of Comillas, president of the Spanish Trans-Atlantic line on account of a conversation with President McKinley, which Comillas immediately conveyed to Sagasta.

Premier Sagasta says: "If what passed in the supposed inter-

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.



ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

view of President McKinley with Senor Ceballos to secure peace in Cuba is true, we would reject it."

At a meeting of the conservative party, Chief Seva said:

"We have solemnly promised to respect loyalty whatever parliament may sanction in regard to the new colonial regime, and I consider this a sacred national compromise. The great ruling parties cannot act otherwise even if the compromise is not in harmony with their convictions. When the cortes assembles we will be bound to demand a strict account of the treasures of our honor, blood and finance."

### Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars; free.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.  
Sold by Druggists, 75c. 6-10

### Approved at Madrid.

LONDON, Mar. 17.—A Madrid special says:

The customs committee has approved the report relative to the basis of the treaty of commerce with the United States. Spain will concede certain reductions in tariff on condition that the United States grant benefits under the reciprocity clauses of the Dingley tariff law.

### A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at Blakeley & Houghton's drug store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded.

### Silence Taken as Consent.

LONDON, Mar. 17.—A dispatch from Shanghai says:

Russia informed China that the latter's delay in replying to Russian demands will be construed as an acquiescence in the occupation of Port Arthur by the Russian government.

Sir Claude McDonald, the British minister at Peking, is said to be urging China to resist.

### Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This remedy is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough and influenza. It has become famous for its cures of these diseases, over a large part of the civilized world. The most flattering testimonials have been received, giving accounts of its good

works; of the aggravating and persistent coughs it has cured; of severe colds that have yielded promptly to its soothing effects, and of the dangerous attacks of croup it has cured, often saving the life of the child. The extensive use of it for whooping coughs has shown that it robs that disease of all dangerous consequences. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

### FOR THE HOME BAKER.

### Some Useful Hints on the Art of Pastry Making.

To prevent cake from becoming too brown on the bottom or burning, put the cake mold in a tin plate covered with sawdust.

To smooth over a cake after putting it in the mold to bake dip the hand in milk and pass it over the surface of the cake.

For cake, powdered sugar sifted is often better than any other kind, especially for an angel or sponge cake.

In making jelly roll, when the cake is taken from the oven place it on a cloth dipped in cold water, then spread the jelly on the cake and roll quickly.

If you want to have chopped jelly for garnishing dishes, remember to chop or cut it with a knife which has been dipped in ice water, and have the jelly on paper which has also been dipped in water.

Whites of eggs in pumpkin pies make it watery. Use only the yolks of eggs and cream, not milk.

Beechnuts make a nice dressing for roast woodcock. After shelling the nuts, season with a little butter and salt and stuff the bird full of them. The nuts are removed from the shells by pouring hot water over them.

To color homemade candy pink, make a preparation of one-quarter ounce each of powdered cochineal, alum and cream of tartar, mix well and add four ounces of warm water and the same quantity of alcohol, cover and allow the mixture to stand over night, strain and bottle. Stir a drop at a time into the candy until you have the right shade.

For coloring yellow, take a half ounce of saffron and add to it two ounces of alcohol and four of water. Let the mixture stand for several days before using.

To color green, crush and cook a few spinach leaves in water, strain and use the liquid. Fruit juices can also be used for coloring purposes in candy-making.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

### Cost of the Cuban War.

The cost of the Cuban war from February, 1895, to the end of 1897 is officially estimated at \$240,000,000.

### Education Compulsory.

Education in the Hawaiian islands is compulsory, and the law against truants is strictly enforced.

### Gold from Australia.

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 17.—The Oceanic Steamship Company's steamer Alameda, now on her way from Australia to San Francisco, has on board \$3,500,000 in gold. This is the largest amount of treasure ever brought into this port by a single ship.

### The Sure La Grippe Cure.

There is no use suffering from this dreadful malady, if you will only get the right remedy. You are having pain all through your body, your liver is out of order, have no appetite, no life or ambition, have a bad cold, in fact are completely used up. Electric Bitters is the only remedy that will give you prompt and sure relief. They act directly on your Liver, Stomach and Kidneys, tone up the whole system and make you feel like a new being. They are guaranteed to cure or price refunded. For sale at Blakeley & Houghton's drug store, only 50 cents per bottle.

### Committeeman from Denver.

DENVER, Mar. 17.—President Springer, of the National Livestock Association, with the approval of the executive council, has appointed Geo. L. Goulding, of Denver, committeeman from Colorado, and also treasurer for the association.

### Buckien's Arnicæ ointment.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Blakeley and Houghton, druggists.

### One Minute Cough Cure, cures. That is what it was made for.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve Cures Piles, Scalds, Burns.

## Sheriff's Sale.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF Oregon for Wasco County.

T. J. Field, plaintiff vs. Wm. Birgfeld, Laura E. Birgfeld, First National Bank of The Dalles, Thomas Kelly and A. J. Bennett, defendants.

By virtue of an execution, decree and order of sale, duly issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Wasco, to me directed and dated the 26th day of February, 1898, upon a decree for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage, and judgment rendered and entered in said Court on the 4th day of December, 1897, in the above entitled cause, in favor of the plaintiff and against the defendants William Birgfeld and Laura E. Birgfeld as judgment debtors, in the sum of fifteen hundred and twelve dollars and twenty-five cents, with interest thereon from the 4th day of December, 1897, at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and the further sum of one hundred and fifty dollars as attorney's fees, and the further sum of fifteen dollars, costs, and the costs of and upon this writ, and commanding me to make sale of the real property embraced in such decree of foreclosure and hereinafter described, I will on the

12th day of April, 1898,

at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon of said day and at the front door of the County Court House in Dalles City, Wasco County, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the defendants William Birgfeld and Laura E. Birgfeld, Thom's Kelly and A. J. Bennett, or either of them, had on the 4th day of August, 1892, the date of the mortgage foreclosed herein, or which said defendants, or any of the defendants herein have acquired, or now have in and to the following described real property, situated and being in Wasco County, Oregon, to-wit: An undivided one-fourth interest of all of section No. 21, the NW 1/4 and the SE 1/4 of section No. 22; also all of section No. 25, the NW 1/4 and the SE 1/4 of section No. 27, and the NW 1/4 of section No. 28, all in township No. 7, south of range No. 17, east of the W. M.; also of section No. 3, township No. 8, south of range No. 17, east of the W. M., containing in all 280.95 acres according to the government survey (page 314, Vol. 6 of deeds) also the S 1/2 of the SW 1/4 and the S 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of section No. 31, township No. 7, south of range 17, east of W. M., containing 160 acres, (page 116, Vol. 6 of deeds) also all the NW 1/4 of section No. 26, township 7, south of range 17, east of W. M., (page 226, Vol. 6 of deeds) said lands in the above described real property being the same descended to and inherited by the said Laura E. Birgfeld upon the death of Alexander Rogers and M. Hilda Rogers, her father and mother, said property will be sold subject to confirmation and redemption as by law provided.

Dated at The Dalles, Oregon, this 3d day of March, 1898. T. J. DRIVER, Sheriff of Wasco County, Oregon.

## Guardian's Notice.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as guardian of Jas. A. Brown, Jr., Ethel M. Brown, Paulina A. Brown, David E. Brown, Mary S. Brown and Geo. D. Brown, has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Wasco County, his petition praying for a license to sell the interest of said minors in and to the following described real property to-wit: A tract of land in Dalles City, Wasco County, Oregon, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point 20 rods south and 30 feet west of what is known as the northwest corner of the J. G. Wilson lot, said corner being one hundred and eleven rods east of the northeast corner of the John A. Sims Donation Land Claim No. 39, in Tp. 1, North Range 13 East W. M., running thence south ten rods; thence west 8 1/2 rods and three feet; thence north ten rods; thence east six rods and three feet to the place of beginning, containing one-half an acre, more or less.

All persons interested in real estate are hereby notified to appear before said County Court at the county courtroom in Dalles City on Friday, the 26th day of March, 1898, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., then and there to show cause, if any there be, why said license to sell said real property should not be granted. March 1, 1898. JAS. A. BROWN, Sr., Guardian.

## NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE, THE DALLES, OR., February 9, 1898. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed his intention as such settler to locate and make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on Tuesday, March 22, 1898, viz:

### Oliver Bowers, of The Dalles,

H. E. No. 1807, for the SE 1/4 NE 1/4 and NE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec 21, Tp 2 N, R 12 E, W. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: William Ruffner, Perry VanCamp, Harry Learned, H. H. Learned, all of The Dalles, Oregon. JAS. F. MOORE, Register.

## Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Frank Ireland, deceased, has filed his final account as such administrator in the county court of the State of Oregon for Wasco County, and the judge thereof has appointed Monday, the 7th day of March, 1898, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., at the county courtroom in the courthouse in Dalles City, in said county and state, as the time and place for the hearing of objections to said final account and the settlement thereof. All heirs and creditors of the deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are hereby notified to file their objections to said final account, if any they have, on or before the date fixed for the hearing and settlement thereof. Dalles City, Oregon, Feb. 8, 1898. GEORGE F. IRELAND, Administrator.

## NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

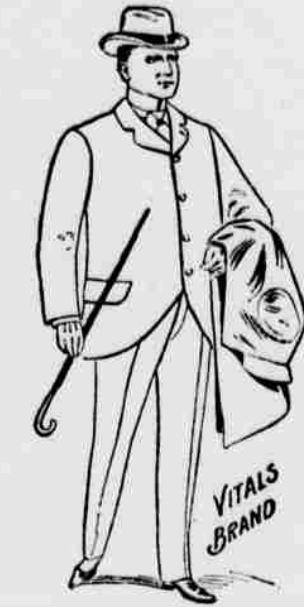
LAND OFFICE, THE DALLES, OR., February 15, 1898. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on Monday, April 16, 1898, viz:

### James Hall, of The Dalles,

H. E. No. 474, for the SE 1/4 NW 1/4, SE 1/4 NE 1/4 and NE 1/4 Sec 31, Tp 1 N, R 12 E, W. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Alexander Vance, Albert Walters, William Wolf, Frank Orist, all of The Dalles, Oregon. JAS. F. MOORE, Register.

B. S. HUNTINGTON H. S. WILSON ATTORNEYS AT LAW, THE DALLES, OREGON Office over First Nat. Bank.

## President M'Kinley



and Mr. Bryan both agree that prosperity is largely a matter of confidence.

## A Man Who

wears our clothing inspires confidence wherever he goes.

Spring Line Now Ready.

How Pres. McKinley would look attired in one of our \$7.50 Suits.

## Of Interest to the Man

Who is hard to fit.

Be Up-To-Date.



Wear the Pickwick Clothing.

Spring Line Now Ready.

## A. M. WILLIAMS & CO.

BORN SEPTEMBER 18, 1841.



For more than fifty-six years it has never failed in its weekly visits to the homes of farmers and villagers throughout the United States.

IT HAS faithfully labored for their prosperity and happiness, for the improvement of their business and home interests, for the elevation of American manhood and true womanhood.

IT HAS told at the fireside, interesting and instructive stories of the doings of the world, the nation and states.

IT HAS advised the farmer as to the most approved methods of cultivating and harvesting his crops, and the proper time to convert them into the largest possible amount of money.

IT HAS led in all matters pertaining to the welfare of farmers and villagers, and for over half a century has held their confidence and esteem.

IT NEW YORK WEEKLY TRIBUNE and we furnish it with the Semi-Weekly Chronicle one year for \$1.75, cash in advance.

## The Salve That Leads.

Garland's "Happy" Thought Salve is made right. It is the salve you are sure of.

50 cents at DONNELL'S.