

## THE WAR CLOUD AGAIN LOWERING

British Emergency Squadron is Gathering.

## ORDERS TO ARMY OFFICERS

Volunteers to Prepare For Immediate Mobilization—Various Corps Informed as to the Respective Southern and Western Ports to Which They Have Been Allotted.

LONDON, Oct. 31.—There was an unexpectedly gloomy feeling on the stock exchange and the Paris bourse this morning, both markets being influenced it is inferred, from the aggressive tone of some of the French papers. Besides this something extraordinary seems to have happened, and it looks as if a crisis was approaching.

The British naval preparations are being pushed with great activity. The British emergency squadron is gathering at Devonport with all possible speed and seven battleships and one cruiser have been designated so far to join the squadron. The officers and sailors have been hurriedly recalled from leave of absence, several battleships and cruisers at Portsmouth are taking full crews on board, and other warlike preparations are being made. A number of signalmen, now on duty with the British channel squadron, which arrived at Gibraltar this morning, have been ordered home for service.

A sensation was caused by the arrest of a supposed Russian spy at a fort near Harwich. The man was already under surveillance, and went to the redoubt, where he tried to obtain some information from the sentry regarding the fortifications. He was arrested, and inquiries are being made regarding his antecedents.

It was also asserted today that officers of the volunteers had received orders to prepare for immediate mobilization, and it was stated that the different army corps had been informed as to the ports on the southern and western coast to which they have been allotted.

The Pall Mall Gazette this afternoon says:

"England has been and even now is so near war that the government has carried its preparations to the farthest limit of the preparatory stage. It has been arranged to call out the reserves and militia and mobilize the volunteers simultaneously and to form large camps at various important railroad junctions where rolling stock and locomotives will be concentrated."

## MUCH GOLD DEEP DOWN

A Rich Pay Streak Recently Found in the Republican Mine—Ore Assays \$300 to the Ton.

SPokane, Oct. 31.—The most marvelous strike recorded in a mine of Washington was made today in the Republican mine, at Republic, on the north half of the Colville reservation. Free-milling ore averaging fifteen ounces of gold or nearly three hundred dollars to the ton, was encountered at a depth of nearly four hundred feet from the surface. The drills cut through twenty-four feet of ledge, latter, the last sixteen feet averaging fifteen ounces, and the

further wall of the pay streak has not yet been encountered. The Republican mine tunnel is one hundred and forty feet, having been driven to ascertain whether or not the values on the surface held with the depth.

The mine has always showed rich ore, but this discovery makes other mines near by almost certain of encountering the ledge at great depth. The ledge in the Republican seems to be like a wedge with the little end up.

## SCHEME TO DELAY EVACUATION

Blanco's Orders that No Spanish Troops Be Paid in Cuba is Regarded as a Move in this Direction.

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—A Washington special says:

Two constructions are put upon the recent order of General Blanco that the Spanish troops should not be discharged but shall go to Spain to receive their pay. This cancels the previous order of October 4th, which said that such Spaniards as desired could remain in Cuba. Should the troops choose to return under this later order to Spain, it would give the Spaniards a pretext for asking a longer time for evacuation, which may be their desire.

On the other hand, it is urged by a high war department official that the cause of this order lies in Blanco's inability to pay them, and in the hope, therefore, that they would desert and thereby relieve the Spanish government of further obligation.

The Spanish regular troops in Cuba are now scattered and number about 85,775.

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## ASSUME PART OF THE DEBT

Intentions of the United States Conveyed to the Spanish Peace Commissioners By the Americans in Joint Session.

PARIS, Oct. 31.—At a meeting of the peace commission today the Americans presented a written statement of the purpose of the United States to take the entire group of the Philippine islands and to assume such portion of the Philippine debt as has been spent for the benefit of the island in public works, improvements and permanent betterments. It was also set forth that the United States would not assume any part of the Philippine debt which had been incurred by Spain for the furtherance of military or naval operations to quell the insurrections of the natives.

The session was adjourned until Friday, in order to give the Spaniards time to prepare a reply. The session lasted a little over an hour.

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## THE WANTS OF THE ISLAND'S INHABITANTS

Portoricians Will Demand Territorial Rights.

## PUBLIC MEETING AT SAN JUAN

General Wood Pestered With Cuban Office-Seekers at Manzanillo—The Santa Cruz Assembly.

SAN JUAN, Oct. 30.—The principal theater of the town was taxed to its utmost capacity this afternoon on the occasion of a public meeting of delegates from the chief towns of the island to consider and draft recommendations regarding the necessities of the island for the use of the special commissioners, who will be selected to represent Porto Rico at Washington, when the time comes for settling the administrative system. The assembly was fairly representative and although the proceedings gave undue prominence to unimportant details, there was abundant evidence of intelligent reflection on the part of the delegates and of a determination not to tolerate partisan politics at this crisis in the island's affairs.

Carefully prepared reports were submitted by the political, social and economical committees. The meeting received with enthusiasm the resolution demanding territorial rights, the cessation of the present military rule, and the installation of regular civil government. Other resolutions were adopted asking an eight hour day for the laboring man and severally denouncing the present corrupt system of registering deeds of land.

It was obvious that the delegates proceeded upon the assumption that the United States would grant Porto Rico territorial rights.

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The annual estimate of the wool clip of the United States for 1898 made by Secretary North, of the National Association of Wool Manufacturers, and which is to be published in its November Bulletin, shows the amount to have been 266,720,684 pounds, against 259,153,251 pounds in 1897. Since the department of agriculture ceased to submit an annual estimate of the wool clip, that made by the Wool Manufacturers' Association is relied upon as giving the desired information relative to our domestic wool supply.

Oregon shows, according to the statistics, the largest yield, 21,291,872 pounds of washed and unwashed wool, and, next to Washington, shows the largest per cent of shrinkage in scouring, or 71 per cent. Montana follows, with 20,935,105 pounds and 62 per cent shrinkage; California, 16,932,993 pounds and 66 per cent shrinkage; Texas, 16,380,442 pounds and 70 per cent; Wyoming, 13,626,704 pounds; New Mexico, 12,338,420; Ohio, 12,114,953 pounds; Colorado, 9,958,869; and Michigan, 8,856,122 pounds.

The Eastern farmer cannot raise wool in successful competition with the methods which prevail on the Western ranches, any more than he can raise wheat or corn in competition with Western lands and methods. It is not foreign, but domestic competition which is gradually destroying woolgrowing, except in small flocks, in the Eastern states.

The average supply of wool in the United States, based upon production, exports and imports, has been, in a period of eight years, about 480,000,000 pounds annually, which quantity, according to the best judgement, that can be based upon present conditions, may be exceeded in the consumption of the year upon which we now enter. The average annual supply of foreign wool is divided into 81,450,934 pounds of class 1 and 2 wools, and 93,062,768 pounds of class 3 wool. There appears to be an ample supply of class 3 wools now in the country, in view of the present depressed condition of the carpet manufacture.

In addition to wool held by manufacturers and dealers there remained in government bonded warehouses 34,547,076 pounds of all classes on the first of July of this year, as against 532,370 pounds in 1895, 38,514,459 in 1894, and 33,546,919 in 1893.—Oregonian.

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