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Peace Upon Any Other Basis Is Impossible.

This is What Gomez Declares the Insurgents of Cuba Are Determined to the End.

Fatal Affray in Malheur County-An Old Fear the Yonkers Captured Their Commissioner

NEW YORK, Nov. 5 .- The Herald says it is too late to talk autonomy. Cuba is lost to Spain. Only independence for the island will put an end to the struggle now devastating the colony and ruining Spain. That is what eight leading Cubans, all of whom formerly favored autonomy, told Senor Jose Canaleja at the Fifth Avenue hotel. These Cubans did not represent the junta, for the jun; will discuss au-tonomy with no one, but the confer-ence is the more remarkable its re-sults, because the nep who calked so firmly against any appropriate account.

firmly against any proposition except independence were formerly leading autonomists, who in view of the recent developments say that even were they to listen to such a proposal, the insurgents in the field would simply scowl at it as an evidence not of Spain's good aith, but of her weakness and willingness to premise concessions rather than

prosecute a hopeless war. Colonel Canaleja was formerly member of the Spanish cabinet. He comes to sound American feeling, and to inform himself by personal observation of the state of affairs in Cubs. Before his conference with the Cubans, Senor Canaleja was unable to obtain an exchange of views with Estrada Palma, president of the Cuban junta. "Tell him," said General Palma, to an emissary who sought to arrange an nterview, "that when I was president of the republic of Cuba, I assisted in making a law which is in force today, and by which any member of the government who listens to a proposition from Spain short of absolute independence, is regarded as a traitor."

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GOMEZ NOT AN AUTONOMIST. Independence or Death" His Moteo and

That of His Compatriots, NEW YORK, Nov. 5 .- The Herald prints the following letter from Maximo Gomez of the Cuban army of liberation dated at his camp in sancti

"The enemies of Cuba have circulated in the United States the rumor that I am disposed to accept autonomy as a basis of a settlement or solution of the present war. The constitution of Cuba absolutely establishes in its article 11, that peace is to be negotiated upon the basis of absolute independence of Cuba. It is to obtain independence that we have been fighting for two years and will continue to fight until victory is ours we will fight for absolute freedom, as we stated in the manifesto issued at Monte Cristo, as was also later set down in our constitution, and we are daily confirming it by the shedding of blood in the battlefield."

Salvador Cisneros, formerly president of the republic of Cuba, writes to

"Independence or death has been our motto. We would rather see our beloved country disappear amid a heap of ashes than accept any concessions no matter how ample, unless they carry with them the absolute independence of Caba."

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Republican Majority of Five Has See

Counted in Ohlo. COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 6.- The only important development in the status of the new general assembly today was the decision in the Wood county case which once more removes that cour from the doubtful list to the res can column. The court instructed the election supervisors of Wood county to canvass the returns from the disputed precinct, which gives the election to

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This news was received by Chairman

Nash, of the republican committee, Many Important Matters to with satisfaction, though it was not different from what he had expected. The decision had a significance which could not be expressed inasmuch as it put an end to the talk of other con- OHIO IS REPUBLICAN ests on the same ground. Should no further changes be made, the republicans will have five majority on joint pallot, as claimed by Chairman Nash. Death on All Sides.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8-A World special from Havana says: Weyler has gone, but his purpose to 'exterminate the breed" of the Cuban patriots is being fulfilled. Starvation is killing the concentrados by tens of thousands. Hunger is doing what Spain's 200,000 soldiers cannot accomplish. The frightful sufferings of those who survive cry out to the mercy of the civilized world. The physicians of Havana are now forbidden to give starvation as a cause of death.

A correspondent in the town of San Domingo writes: "A multitude of sick fall and die in the streets here, and lie until, after having served as ignominious specta-cles for some hours, they are collected and hauled away in carts used for garbage to the Sumping grounds. Most of these bodies are thrown into the fields to be eaten by the birds and dogs." Both the newspapers which support-

ed Weyler and those who opposed him are now forced to tell half the truth about the starving concentrados. Here are some whole truths made undeniable: Since Weyler's proclamation Jriv-

ing the country people into the towns was issued, half the rural population of Western Cuba has died. Half of those who survive are so weak, so emsciated, that the flickering spark of life in them will surely soon be extinguished. They cannot survive, although Blanco, the governor-general, has ordered that service rations be issued to them, rations such as his soldiers get. The lives of the other half of the survivors Blanco will save. Photographs of starving children

speak louder than any words. These photographs are taken at Guanabacoa within an hour's travel of the palace here. Remember that with natural affection intensified by suffering the parents of these children have given to them every morsel they could scrape together. The mothers of these children deny themselves food, refuse to eat the miserable scraps of meat and bread that they may keep life in their children. The childrens' legs were like pipestems. One could count their Their joints, made dispropor tionately large by emaciation, seemed immense. These are not isolated cases. There are thousands and thousands like them.

J. M. Thirsw end, of Grosbeck, Tex. says that when he has a spell of indi-gestion, and feels bad and sluggish, he takes two of DeWitt's Little Early Ris ers at night, and he is all right the next morning. Many thousands of others do the same thing. Do you?

Snipes, Kinersly Drug Co. An Office For Mondell

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5 .- The president has selected Frank Mondell, of Newcastle, Wyo., to be assistant com-

missioner of the land office. Mondell is expected here in a few days. He will succeed Judge Emory Best, of Georgia. Mondell was representative at large from Wyoming in the last house, and will be 37 years old tomorrow. He has lived in several Western states and territories, was mayor of Newcastie seven years, has been president of the territorial senate, and was a delegate to the Minneapolis conven-

There is no need of little child re being tortured by scald head, ecsems and skin eruptions. De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve gives instant relief and

A Malheur County Tragedy.

BAKER CITY, Or., Noy. 5 .-- Monday evening, J. D. Osborne, a pioneer of Malheur county, aged 70 years, shot a farmer named Bader three times, the latter dying Tuesday morning. Of borne's ranch is 12 miles from Val the scene of the fatal affray. Rader with his wife and five

dren was living on Osborne's Panch. A dispute arose over certain rights and Rader went for his bowie knife, but before he had time to use It, he had received three 38 caliber bullets. Osborne went to Vale and gave him

Small pill, saile pill, best pill. De Witt's Libbe Early Risers cure bilous-ness, Constipation, sick headache.

Miner Cut in Two. COQUILLE CITY, Or., Nov. 6 .- The second accident in a week occurred at the Beaver Bill mine yesterday. A miner was pushing a car, when another car came behind him. He was caught | Blakeley & Ho ughton. between the cars and literally cut in two. Last week, the gas caught fire, and four men were burned, two of them badly, in the face and breast, Mr. Peart was so badly burned that the skin had to be peeled off his arms,

You can't afford to risk your life by allowing a cold to develop into pneumonia or consumption. Instant relief and a certain cure are afforded by One Minue Cough Cure. Snipes Kinersly Drug Cc. Consternation in Canada

OTTAWA, Nov. 5 .- Officials in the fisheries department here are disconcerted over the action of President man. Thompson, the great English seal expert. Fears are entertained that in connection with the recent conference he may have committed Great Britain | the court based the decision. to a line of policy quite antagonistic to Canada's interests. One minister expresses fears that the English ex pert has fallen a victim to the wiles of

the American politicians. Cloakmakers Again Out

NEW YORK, Nov. 5 .- There is adication of another big strike of cloak- of Old Pine Tree, the chief of the Tusby contractors of the new agreement a gold watch and pleaty of handsome made alx weeks ago.

Captain O. P. Norris, the republican work FOR CONGRESS

Be Considered.

That Party Will Have Five Majority on Joint Ballot in the Legislature.

Property Sold by Order of the, U. S. Court to Waterberg and Cool ridge for \$1'000,400

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6 .- The first regular session of the 55th congress, which is to meet on the 7th of December, promises to be more productive of Important legislation than any session of recent years.

Foreign affairs will demand and re-

ceive considerable attention. There is Hawaii to be annexed or placed in some equally positive way under the protection of the American flag. The extension of belligerent rights to the Cuban revolutionists is freely predicted as one of the early acts of the session. Then the Nicaraguan canal question will come up again when Admiral Walker and his colleagues, who have been sent down to examine the proposed route, return and make their report; and the treaty of arbitration with Great Britain is expected to be revived in some shape by its advocates.

But these foreign matters, interesting as they are, will occupy but little time of the congress compared with the important questions of internal to have a scheme for currency reform ready to submit when congress convenes. This will have the backing of the administration; but there will be dozens of other schemes suggested, representing all shades of financial belief, and it will be a long time before a bill satisfactory to even the majority can become atlaw. Indeed, it is doubt ful whether any definite conclusion can be reached at this session on this

Much more likely to become a law is one of several pending propositions for | ble for anything which will assist in the establishment of postal savings banks. A plan will also be pressed with some vigor to place the telegraph lines under the control of the postoffice lepartment, but it is not believed that the majority in either the house or senate if yet ready to accept this radical departure.

A voluntary ome involuntary features, though differing from those of the law of 1870, is pertain to be passed this winter.

J. C. Berry, one of the best known citizens of Spencer. Mo., testifies that he cured himself of the worst kind of piles by using a few boxes of De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. He had been troubled with piles for over thirty years and had used many different kinds of so-called cures; but De Witt's was the one that did the work and he will verify this statement if any one wishes to write him. Snipes Kinersly Drug Co.

ONEY ONE BID MADE

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 6.—The en-tire property, both real and personal, of the Oregon Improvement Company was today sold by Master-in-Chancery Eben Smith, under an order of sale from the Woited States circuit court. ment. The purchasers were Johns. R. Waterbury and T. Jefferson Coolldge, jr., inting the reorganization comand the purchase price was \$1,000,000. The bid of Messrs. Coolnd Waterbury was the only one

fter the sale, Special Master Smith peared before Judge Hanford, with his report of the sale. Judge Hanford then signed the order, confirming the proceedings. Judge Hanford allowed the following claims: Special Master Smith, \$5000 for his

compensation, and \$1070 for the ex-The Farmers' Loan & Trust Comany, trustee under the mortage, Solicitors for the trust company

Turner, McClure & Ralston: Allen Hughes & McMicken), \$30,000 in addition to amounts already allowed, and expenses incurred. Receiver C. J. Smith, in addition to

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DURRANT MUST HANG. States Supreme Court Refuses

Intervene in His Behalf. WASHINGTON, Nov. 8 .- The United States supreme court today affirmed the decision of the circuit court of California refusing a writ of habeas corpus to William Henry Theodore Durrant, under sentence of death for the tives do not interfere, may hold a post murder of Miss Blanche Lament at San Francisco, in April, 1895.

The case has attracted attention throughout the whole United States, and today's decision permits the law to

court's decision, but made no remarks save to cite a few authorities on which Attorney-General Fitzgerald was present in the courtroom when the opinion was rendered, and said it would insure Durrant's hanging. Suspects Foul Play.

CHICAGO, Nov. S .- Tamar T. John-

son, an Indian princess, the daughter

makers, which may involve from 12,000 caroras, died suddenly in Chicago last to 13,000 people. Five hundred are Tuesday evening. out. The cause of the strike is the al- further inquiry. He asserts the young close lesions."-Chicago Chrontele. leged cutting and reported violation | woman had between \$200 and \$300 and

like to know what became of her personal possessions.

Miss Johnson was a teacher in Indian schools. She came here from the Cheyepne reservation, where she was last serving, for treatment for a nervous complaint. The cause of the death was peritonitis. Chief Pine Tree has called the attention of the superintendent of Indian schools to her death.

> Named by the President. WASHINGTON, Nov. 8 .- The presi-

deat today made the following appointments: W. Godfrey Hunter, of Kentucky, to be viceroy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Guatemala; Edwin M. Yearin, agent for the Indians at Lembi, Idaho; Elward M. Bartlett, register of the land office at a Grande Or.; Major Louis Marshall, corps of engineers, to be a member of the Missouri commission. Dr. Hunter is one of the leaders of the republican party in Ken-ucky. He served as a member of congress in the last house and had served notice that he would make a contest for a seat in the present

LIVER AND X RAYS. Roentgen's Discovery Useless

Where That Organ Is Involved. Such Is the Result Reached in the Erperiments of Deputy Surgeon-General Forwood, of the United States Army.

If a man should have the misforaune to receive a shot in the liver it would remain there unless found by the ancient method of probe and knife. X rays, Roentgen's process, aided by the appliances devised by all the electrical scientists of the age, are powerless against the texture of the liver. Practically every other portion of the human anatomy will yield to the penetrating power of the fluorescope, but that liver declines to do anything of the kind. At least this is the decision reached by Dr. William H. Forwood, of the conomy with which it will have to United States army. He declares that des]. Take the currency question, for he has been unable to locate anything example. Secretary Gage has been in or behind the liver when the rays hard at work all summer and expects are sent upon the body from the front, They will not penetrate that organ. Dr. Forwood is officially known as

eutenant colonel and deputy surgeon general. He is on station at headquarters in Washington and the duties of his office leave him considerable leisure time. This time he has used for many years in the study of applied sciences in the practice of his profession. He is noted in the medical world as an experimentalist, and has produced some results which have overturned preconceived ideas. As a medical officer of the army, and a ranking one at that, he has the facilities at hand or attainamaking experiments. As soon as Prof. Roentgen made his discovery known, Dr. Forwood began his experiments, He secured all the appliances by requisition, "for the good of the service," and established a Crookes tube laboratory unexcelled in the country. Then he commenced his experiments.

He photographed his orderly from every possible standpoint, causing that use ful, but somewhat sensitive man to feel a strong desire to get out of the service. He practiced on the hospital corps, and induced many of those who are attached to the general headquarters in the capital city to submit them selves to the influence of the rays He assembled all of his pictures, but he never touched a liver. Then he went gunning for livers, but so far has not been able to land one. Dr. Forwood was a member of the

army retiring board which adjourned Friday morning after helding sessions for several weeks at Gen. Merritt's headquarters in the Pullman building. He is an enthusiast in medical matters, and especially X rays. It is said that he wanted to photograph the alleged disability of every officer who appeared before the board to be examined for retirement. If they were all right the rays would show it. But somebody suggested that one of the officers suffered from chronic biliary derange-

"Oh, well," said the deputy surgeon general, "if that's the matter with him we'll have to try him in the old way. I can't get a liver with the rays." That started the investigation con-

cerning the power of the rays. Several of the officers detailed for duty on the board knew Dr. Forwood's experiments with the rays, and they asked him to tell what he had done and what the reason is that the rays will not pierce a liver. The doctor agreed, but prefaced his remarks by saying that he knew no special reason why a liver should resist the rays. He only knew that it

"I have not given it up," he said, "but it is a singular fact that I cannot get through a liver. I have succeeded in drawing everything else, but this baffles me. The increasing of the power, r voltage, does not help. In some things this does assist. For instance, you can see through a white man much easier than you can through a negro. When a 'darky' is being experimented on you have to increase the power of the instrument in a marked degree. This is his salary as such, alreapy paid, \$20,- due primarily, I suppose, to the pigments in the colored man's skin and the 000. S. H. Piles, as counsel for the corresponding density of his covering.

"The annoying nature of this failure is shown when you figure the number of fellows who get bullets in their livers in a battle. It is hard to hit a man in the trunk without invoving one or both lobes of the organ. Now, a wound in the liver may or may not be fatal. It is not necessarily fatal. If the surgeon goes after the bullet and finds it has penetrated the liver, as far as I can sec, he will have to trust to luck, cut the man wide open, or let the ball alone. It may become encysted in that liver and remain there for years, and then the surgeon, if he survives and rela mortem and extract it.

"I can find anything I want by cutting, but what I am looking for now is a means of finding what I want without using the knife. If you slash a man sufficiently you can generally find take its course with the condemned what it is that is hurting him, but this new idea when perfected will, or ought to, enable field surgeons to determine whether or not there is any use of fooling with a wounded man. But the liver baffles me. I can see through the lungs and bones and any other substance in the body but the liver.

"Can you tell what is the matter with man who is sick with lung troubles?" "Under the rays the lungs look like lace curtains. You see some fine arabesones, but there is little to the lay eye to indicate that any trouble exists. What can anyone tell about the figures in a lace curtain? It takes the most expert workers to tell when a figure is broken. The lungs are builded out already, and by night there may The father thinks her death should on similar lines and the exact value of the rays on such ailments is not de- The Sunday Sun be a general order for others to go be investigated, and has demanded a termined. I hope that they will dis-

> -There are six species of mosquite clothes when she died, and he would found in New England.

SHORT OF SEAMEN. Lack Which Is One of Eng-

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land's Gravest Dangers. resting Facts About Great Br ain's Huge Naval Squadrons - Not Enough Trained Men to

It may be said without exaggeration that the question of the hour is the supply of seamen for our fleet, says the l'all Mall Budget. No juggling with figures can conceal the fact that in case of war we cannot send even all our modern vessels to sea. Though every nerve was strained at the maneuvers, though the depots were depleted of seamen and stokers, we had to leave in port no less than 168 fighting craft, In this total are included ten first and second class battleships, ten third-class battleships, seven coast defense ironclads, four old ironclads, seventeen cruisers, eleven torpedo gunboate, forty destroyers and sixty-nine serviceable torpedo boats. Many of the vessels in this enormous category are of the newest construction, and, though some are not yet completed for sea, all should be finished by the end of the financial year. We have none too many cruisers as it is, and when war is upon us we shall want every single one to protect our colossal trade. All the older ironcracis will be needed to convoy our slow ocean tramps, all our coast defense vessels to protect our unfortified ports bardment of open towns, and this is the only means by which we can prevent stray cruisers doing us terrible harm.

are known to contemplate the Our battleships will be wanted for the combat and to watch our enemies complement of torpedo gunboats and torpedo boats; indeed, our first line, the Mediterranean fleet, has still only two. The crews required for the ships which would not be able to 22,610 men, or, reducing them to the lowest possible limit, 20,000. Ships we can build in three years and less, but sallors can hardly be trained for war in twice that time. Since 1889 we have been building faster than we could obtain seamen. We have on the stocks; or projected, to-day another mass of vessels which require at least 10,000 timates for 1894 contemplate an additiod to our personnel of over 6,000 men, but this is a mere drop in the ocean to the number which we require. must understand that the English fleet disposes of practically no trained reserve. Though the naval conflict of to-morrow will be bloody beyond belief, involving holocausts of ships and men, we have not merely too few sailors to take curreffective ships to ses,

but no one to replace those who fall in Year by year the proportion of Eng-Ssh scamen in our mercantile mari dwindles, while the proportion of foreigners increases. Of our 80,000 tble scamen no less than 27,000 are foreigners, and half the remainder have had less than four years' service. Nor is it a question of wages. From the ship owners goes up the ominous complaint that the Swede or the German is better edjeated, more sober, more respect-He does not desert, he is a better sailor, and his physique is superior. "The supremacy of the English sailor ls waning," says the chairman of the West India and Pacific Steamship company. These are terrible words for us, whose pride and whose heritage in the

Our naval reserve numbers in its first class 26,000 men. Their training is limited in the extreme. They are, many of them, ignorant of the manipulation of the breechloader, for such is the wisdom of our rulers that they persist in drilling our reserves with obmen are trained, there is not a single modern weapon. After this they get a month at sea on a war ship. And that is all. The trumpet will sound; as many of them as can be obtained in board our ironclads; lieutenants and officers will be borrowed from ships in commission, and our fleet will be put to sea-to sure and certain defeat. Abroad there is readiness for instant action, at home unreadiness.

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