SUBSCRIPTION RATES. -DAILY--WEEKLY-

All Subscriptions Payable in Advance

A NEEDED POLICY. The Chicago Record does well to call attention to the fact that it is high time that this nation take some decisive step to protect American trade and American citizens. While this pation never seeks war and does not strive to acquire new territory, it has been evident for a number of years that something was needed to inspire a greater respect for the American flag and American citizens while abroad Little nations, of what might be called the terrier dog variety. have become convinced that the goveroment of the United States will not move its mighty machinery to protect one or two Americans who happen to get into trouble on foreign soil, and that this government will submit to a great deal of annoyance, rather than stand up for its rights and the rights of its citizens who are temporary sojourners under a foreign flag. For this reason Americans aboard are often subjected to insult and injury, and the United States subjected to ridicule. One reason for this is that the Ameri-

cretion in matters of this kind. Another sample of the American American incompetency, may be found ington were discussing what should be to do it. American citizens were being murdered by Spaniards at Santiago de Cuba. Fifty-seven were murdered, and doubtless the 130 more would have been murdered had not the commander of a British ship dropped anchor in the harbor and the assumed authority to speak for both Great Britain and the United States. The Englishman merely announced that he was informed that there were British subjects among the prisoners, and demanded that no more be killed until the American and British authorities were present to see that justice was

In the light of the outcome of the Virginius affair it is little wonder that the Spaniards believe that Americans "dollar c asers" who will submit to

any kind of an insult. The policy of bullyragging smaller high time to put a stop to the policy in order to secure the protection of the

Union Jack. Episodes of recent occurrence in oriental waters show to us that commanders of American merchantmen means of communication slow, the commanders of American war ships the populist platform by the democratic should be allowed some discretion in and silver-republican conventions foreign ports. Let us have a policy without a dissenting vote, a resolution that will protect Americans in the indorsing W. J. Rryan as the leader discharge of their honest duties whereever they may be, at home or abroad. States was offered to the populist and

AN HONORABLE UNION.

The union that was formed by the state conventions of the democratic, people's and silver republican parties at Portland last week was in every respect honorable and harmonious. The platform adopted was concise and broad enough for all who are united in the common cause—the advancemen of human rights and honest government-to stand upon. It is a platform which democrats, populists and silver republicans can endorse, for it em bodies all the cardinal principles euunclated by those parties, and contains nothing objectionable to any of them. Neither of these parties have been required to surrender any of their principles, yet the demand for a flexible currency, sufficient to meet the demands of trade and direct legislation, which are endorsed by all three parties are made prominent, hence the union on platform is honorable in every detail, and is acceptable to all except the ultra middle-of-the roader, who stands for a paternal form of government in its most radical form.

And the apportionment of officer was perfectly equitable, for the distribution was just. In view of the fact that the populists, in the election of 1896, cast the greater number of votes for congressmen in the state. were entitled to a majority of the offices, therefore they were given four places on the tinket-governor, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction and state printer-the democrats having been the next strongest party were given three-congressman in the first district, state treasurer and supreme judge-the silver republicans having a minority of votes were given two places on the state ticketcongressman for the second district and secretary of state.

In this distribution each party is given one of what may be called purely rency bill. The republican leagues protection of American property and political offices-governor and congressmen-and each is given representation on the state board, so that in and national-they have equal representation. On this basis all the reform forces may feel that they can unite honorably and fairly, and that is on the other. their principles either by the declara

disputable arguments against the free coinage of silver. They are:

"There is not a free-coinage country in the world today that is not on a sil ver basis."

"There is not a gold-standard coun try in the world today that does not use silver as money along with gold." "There is not a silver-standard coun gold as money along with silver " "There is not a silver-standard coun-

try in the world today where the laboring man receives fair pay for his day's

These "axioms" might have be ubmitted as convincing argument in 896, but they are stale now, for the in-ncial question has a-sumed rather different phrase from what it presented two years ago. The republican gold standard and oppose the free coinage of silver, but it must explain to the people at large what benefithey may expect from a contraction of the currency as proposed by the Gage bill, which is nothing short of an effort to take some \$500,000,000 of pape noney out of circulation, and supplant it with interest-bearitg bonds. In the campaign of 1896 the republi

of a free coinage law would contract the currency of the country by driving all 'he gold out of circulation, and thus make money too scarce for the requirements of trade, but now that party proposes to accomplish a like end by driving out of circulation one-third event, the same state of affairs with as Mr. Carlisle's "axioms" say exist in as follows: silver-standard countries. Those councan naval officers are given no distries have a low per capita circulation and as a result every product of labor commands a low price, just as it will policy of delay, and too often of in the United States in case the Gage bill is enacted into law. Whenever in the now well-known case of the the circulating medium is reduced one-Virginius. While statesman at Wash- third, as the republican bill, formulated by Secretar Gage and endorsed by the done and trying to agree upon a way administration, would do, the pric of labor must fall in like proportion, so in case of this measure being enacted the laborers would be reduced to a worse state than those of the inferior

natios s of the world. The Oregonian seems not to realizthat its party has envirely changed the condition of the money question, and that the issue is not now free silver alone, but a battle to prevent a retiring the greenbacks and all other firm in their conviction that free coinage is desirable, but they also realize that the welfare of the nation is that while they continue to clemor for themselves to prevent the demonetization of one third the money now in plic ble now only to the silv-r side of year after the passage of the act.

RESORTING TO LIES.

are unable to command the respect Oregonian would not resort to falsewhich has been freely accorded to the hond when it had no foundation on British colors. This is as the record | which to base its arguments, it was in- made up by the contribution in rold clearly shows, because Great Britain deed in the infancy of that party has been quick to protect her subjects organ, and not since the present editor of the bank. and demands an indemnity while the took control. Truth occasionally United States governmedt has been creeps into its editorials but when it very slow or utterly ignored the whole | does it is unintentional, or at least at matter. The crying need of this a time when a political campaign is dating banks, when liability from country now is a stiff backbone and a not on; but during a political camforeign policy that will command re- paign truth is carefully excluded from pect for the flag and the rights of the editorial columns of the Oregonian. the American citizens who are tem It deals in fa's shoods when truth porary sojourners under a foreign flag. would better serve its purpose Hera When the danger is imminent and the is one of its most flagrant falsehoods:

"On Friday last after the adeption of of the silver movement in the United democratic conventions and rejected by both by an overv helming vote." When the O egonian editor penned the above, he knew it contained not a cent of the amount of silver which has in Cuba, and give them an opportunity single word of truth, not even a -emblance of fact. The Oregonian was

represented at both conventions by an able corps of reporters who recorded every resolution introduced and every not one word will be found recording a vote having been taken upon a resolution endorsing W. J. Bryan. In fact no such resolution was introduced there an attempt made to endorse the great silver leader, but whenever the name of Bryan was mentioned it brought forth hearty applause.

In the democratic convention M. A. Miller, of Linn county, introduced for president in 1900, and the resolution was received with great applause, but it was withdrawn before a vote to a vote, very likely it would have been adopted by a unanimous vote, for the convention was composed of earnest admirers of Bryan. However the conhast Friday were no. called to nominate a man for president in 1900, therefore the resolution was untimely, and Mr. Miller displayed better judgment in withdrawing it than he did in introducing it at that time.

WHAT THE ISSUE WILL BE Spilo.

Already the platform of the union revokably the single gold standard. and silver, but between an attempt to some unknown power, he has pursued contract the currency on the one hand an un American and unpatriotic policy and a determination to keep it as it of accepting insult and injury that

they are not asked to surrender any of their principles either by the declarations of the platform or in the distribution of offices.

CARLISLE'S "AXIOMS."

The Oregonian has revived four of the other.

Silver men have by no means abandoned the fight for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, but they realize that until there is a change in the national administration their cause is hopeless, even though they should in President Cleveland's administration the sake of the sake

Carlisle's "axioms" with reference to elect a majority of both houses of con- tion, and to have permitted the butchnoney, which it has ever held as un- gress, therefore all they can hop- to accomplish at present is to prevent vicious legislation by gaining control of the lower house of congress.

Other issues in this campaign will s nk into insignificance compared with the money question, however it will not be discussed from the stance point of free coinage of silver, but from a stand against the gold stard try in the world today that uses any ard and the attempt to place the power to issue paper currency in the hands of the national banks. The republicans will be forced to defend the proposition of retiring the greenback- by the issuance a more interest bearing bonds and contracting the currency not to the demands of trade but to suit the will of national banks while the silver men have already in their platform attacked this proposition and will continue to do so through party has not only to defend the single the campaign. The republicans will be forced to take the defensive, instead of being able to attack free sil ver as they did in 1896

AN INEQUITOUS MEASURE

Emboldened by their success so fa in "currency reform" the managers of the republican party have submitted a proposition for fixing the currency can party argued that the enactment of the United States in such shape that money can be made scarce or plentiful at the will of the Wall street brokers. The Gage bill did not go quite far enough to suit the brokers. hence another measure was preparad. that is entitled "a bill to s, rengther the public credit." and is about as of the money of the country. In this vicious a measure as could have been conceived by old Shylock himself. reference to wages would exist here The principal features of the till are

"A division of issue and redemption is established in the treasury for which the secretary of the treasury is authorized to set aside the general cash bal ance in excess of \$50 000,000. This . xcess on March 17, 1898, was 176,139,532. Unites States notes received by this division for redemption in gold are to be cancelled and returned in prop rtion as certain sub-titute currency is issued. No note redeemed in gold is to be again raid out except under exceptional conditions.

"National banks are required to assume the current redemption of United States demard notes in order to obtain circulation based upon their c mmerrial assets. A new class of notes. called national reserve notes, is to be issued in lieu of legal tender notes deand these reserve notes are to be repaper money except National bank deemed upon demand by the banks

are required to maintain in gold. "The basis of national bank cleaulation will eventually be the commercial 1896 and the Carlisle "axioms" are ap- one fourth annually, beginning one show,

who are engaged in the merchant ves- countries of the world-rejuced circu- for deposits of United States notes.

"The national currency notes based upon commercial assets are to be secured by a bank note guaranty fund, coin 5 per cent of the entire circulation

"The national reserve notes will contione to be lega! tender until received irto the treasury from failed and liquithem will be assumed by the government, and they will be redeemed and cancelled. Provision is made that they shall cease to be required as a basis of circulation, when the secretary of the treasury is satisfied that there is no longer a sufficient amount available to me t the demands for new

banks and increased circulation. "Standard silver dollars are to be redeemable in gold, but silver certificates are redeemable only in standard silver dollars. The parity of silver with gold is secured by a gold redempion fund, deposited in the vivision of issue and redemption, equal to five per

Comment on this bill is hardly necmany objectionable features that it ing the United States to giving these condemns itself. It means an issuance starving people a chance for their vote taken, and in their manuscript of more interest bearing bonds; the lives she does so at her own peril. creation of a credit currency that would be so flexible that it could be contrasted just to suit the whims of money lenders, and still of such a wild in the populist convention, nor was cat nature that its value would always be questioned.

ACTION IS DEMANDED.

The white winged angel of peace no longer hovers over the land. A spirit | chief conspirator, the one who was rea resolution endorsing W. J. Bryan of war permeates the very atmosphere that nothing will check. Never before in the history of the government have the people been so unanimous in fayor was taken. Had it been allowed to go of forcing hostilities with a foreign nation. When the war of 1812 occurred there was a strong anti-war sentiment, and when the rupture between America and Great Britain was ventions that assembled in Portland | known to be inevitable it was a question if the administration would be sustained. The same was true when

when the appetite fails there is no use in trying to tempt the palate with delicate food. No matter how good and well-cooked and "appetizing" the food may be, it cannot give any nourishment unless the stomach is able to digest it. Nature indicates the state of the constitution by the loss of appetite. This is an unfailing indicator. It shows this nation, and their sympathies for the suffering Cubans are so great that they are almost a unit in favor of maintaining the dignity of the country and freeling the Cuban insurgents from the yoke of tyranny. Ever since the destruction of the Maine the protection of American property and to saye the lives of starying Cuban. forces in Oregon has been adopted, this nation, and their sympathies for and a fearless stand has been taken the suffering Cubans are so great that against fastening upon the nation ir- they are almost a unit in favor of What will be the declarations of the country and freeing the Cuban insurrepublican state co vention on the gents from the yoke of tyranny. Ever money question is already a foregone since the destruction of the Maine the conclusion. It must declare in favor president has been importuned to purof the gold standard and the Gage cur- sue a more vigorous solicy both for the convention has already outlined the to save the lives of starving Cuban . policy of the party and it cannot still he has refused to heed the demand deviate therefrom. The issue will of the populace. Either actuated by a herefore not be strictly between gold | desire for peace or fearing the edict of galls a patriotic people.

ery and starvation to continue another year was inhuman and unjust. The people are so wrought up over the Cuban affairs that they will not long r submit to inactivity on the part of their chief executive. They demand Mr. King, but upon Govern or Lord. immediate action and nothing short of

it will suffice.

IS UNSATISFACTORY. After twenty-one days of investigatmg, the board of inquiry appointed to inquire into the cause of the blowing up of the Maine has made a report that is by no means satisfactory. The board finds that the Maine was blown up by an explosion from without, but that is all. The blame is not fixed upon any one, and ap arently no attem. was made to ferret out the unseen foe wno planted the mine that causes the awful havoc, or who touched it off. This probably was not a duty imposed upon the board by the power making the appointment, yet it was a duty expected by the people. Many American lives were sacrificed and one o our finest war ships was destroyed, and the people had a right to demand of

the board of inquiry who was respon-

sible for the deed.

As the matter now stands no hing s determined except that the Maine was invited into a barbor of a friendly ountry, was given ancho age ground by that country and was destroyed by some unknown agent. Who destroyed t, whether it was Spanish officials or ome over zealous fanatics, is still unknown. Therefore this government is left with a poor case on which to demand reparation, its only ground being that the vessel was entitled to protec tion at the hands of the Spanish government while anchored in Havana harbor. This government is therefore in poor condition to demand immediate incempity or to back up its demands with armed forces. Congress, however may in a measure take the settlement of the Maine affair out of the hands of the administration and take some the explosion. If it does, something

THE PEOPLE'S CHANCE.

mo e definite will develope.

Oregon politics have been corrept or years, and the ganagement of state affairs have been such that the rights of taxpavers have been in every in erest made secondary to the interest of an army of off te holders and taxeaters. As a result taxes have grown more further contraction of the currency by polited by the banks with the treasury, and more burdensome, until the property owner has begun to debate in his mind whether it were better to migrate notes. The silver advocates are still out of the redemp ion fund which they or wait for a time when economical and honest administration to bring about a state of affairs that taxpaving wou'd not be -o nearly confication. threatened from another source, and assets of the banks. This result will So long as the state government was be reached, however, only after a ser- controlled by a mercinary gang it cannot fight, and that Americans are free coinage, they must also fortify les of years. National banks will con- seemed there was little encouragement tinue to be required during one year that there would be a relief from after the passage of this act to main- burdensome taxation, but now there convention as now seems probable, circulation, as is proposed by the re- tain the minimum amount on the seems to be a ray of hope for the future, then the republican party of Oregon nations will never be tolerated by the publican measure now before congress, United States bonds as security for cir- A move has been started to take state becomes the organ of one man; that is, discussing all sorts of methods by people of the United States. But and which will become a law whenever culation, which is required by xisting government out of the hands of tax- an institution having but one object which the house can be brought to an growing tendency of smaller nations branches of congress. Therefore is- notes to the face value of these honds. it seems now that the people instead chell United States senator. After there was even some talk over the to mistreat American subjects It is sues have materially changed since This bond deposit may be reduced by of the politicians were to be given a that shall have been accomplished, ruling of the chair during considera-

It is a sad commentary that Americans asserts exists in the silver standard serve notes i-su-d to them in return government. Such principles as were wrecked party. sel trade have taken British partners lating medium and low compensation The purpose of this provision is to ones on which good government is Kinley in dealing with the Cuban going up against delay. compel the conversion of United States based. The men nominated for office question does not meet the approval notes into reserve notes, as well as to are such as will execute the laws either of his party friends or opponents. limit the issues of currency upon com- equitably. Hence the people have a The platferm on which he was elected chance to throw off the yoke of official- promised a speedy adjustment of the dispatch from Havana says: ism, and relegate the professional politicians to private life.

ELITORIAL NOTES.

The past few years Oregon has had All the humorists are not at large telegraphed to Governor Tanner: "We

are willing to leave here at once," Little credence can be put in the statement that Spain will accept resident McKinley's ultimatum without resist nce, for it would result in the freedom of Cuba, and this Spain cannot afford to grant. The armistice Spain asks for is only to gain time in which to better prepare for war.

It is now ineivitable that Spain must either release the concentradoes to support themselves or she must engage in war with the United. If Spain essary, for it shows upon its face so prefers starving her subjects and fight-

The Salem Statesman says Hon. Will R. King was one of the "hold up | says: crowd" in Salem winter before last. The Statesman is forgetful. Mr. King was a member of the senate and besides was a populist who was not conamong its neighbors it would find the



been taking other medicines, but without effect. I heard a friend speak of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and thought I would give it a trial. I used about five bottles of it and think it is the only medicine that did me any good, as I have a splendid appetite now, and am not using any medicine at all and don't think I need any

afterwards. The damage at Vallejo alone is estimated at \$50,000. Candy Cathartic, cure constinution foreter

sponsible for the hold-up as much as any other man in the state, located in the state house, and an aspirant for re-nomination on the republican

where it hes, Mr. Statesman, not upon It is not improbable that there will be two republican state tickets in the field soon after the Astoria convention. The faction that gets downed will no take defeat complacently, and will not accept defeat greacefully, for one wing of the republican party is out for speil-

ticket for governor. Lay the blame

Michell together with what spoils are laying around loose. If the coal fields about The Dalles are to be prospected this year, it is time work was commenced. The people who own the ground under which coa is supposed to be are standing in their own light by not sinking prospect holes down into the earth. If there i a wealth of coal under this country. the sooner it is developed the better it will be for all parties.

and the other is out for John H.

As usual Speaker Reed is able to keep his little manakins (the republican majority in the house) in sub-They wanted to pass the resolution recognizing Cuban inde pendence, but Reed wouldn't let them This is one of . he bad results of hav ing a strong speaker and a weak congress Whatever Reed wills is law no matter what question arises.

The fact that Oregon is able to send two train loads of supplies to the starving Cubans is commendable, and makes every patriotic Oregonian proud, but if the state were permitted to send two train loads of soldiers to aid in removing the cause which produces starvation in Cuba it would create a greater pride. Had we not: weak man in the pre-idential chair this privilege would be granted. Women who contemplate taking to

themselves husbands who fought in the late war sh uld do so before July 1. After that time no pension will be attached to the marriage certificate steps to ascertain who is reponsible for | The pension appropriation bill which has been reported to the house contains an important amendment to the present law. The amentment provides that hereafter no woman who marries an old soldier will, in the event of the death of her husband, be entitled to a torpedo or a Spanish mine. Hence

John C. Young, Rev. Ira Wakefield. J. C. Luce and a few followers broke away from the popu ist convention in Portland the other day, and propose to create a little party of their own. They nominated a portion of a ticket with Mr. Luce for governor, and if enough middle-roaders can be had in the state, will put up a full ticket in every county. Middle roaders, however, are so scarce that when the vote is counted next June. It will be found to have received little support outside

Cuban trouble, and was in short little ! less than a pledge, that the administration would recognize Cuban independence. After waiting more than a a Lord in the chief executive's chair, party followers have become weary and

The Salem Journal, which is in perby any means. The prisoners confined fect accord with the reform move in as he goes about the city. in the Hillsboro, Ill., jail, learning Oregon, expresses a fear that the that volunteers were off-ring their ser- cam aign will be run on machine vices in the event of war with Spain, principles, and that the officers when elec-ed may become tools of the same old "capital ring" that has managed in Havana. state affairs in the past. The Journal need have no such fears. The platform adopted by the three conventions at Portland will not admit of tricketers standing upon it, neither do tre candidates nominated wear the collar of any ring boss. With King for governor, kincaid for secretary of state and Booth for treasurer, the state government will be run for the people and not in the interest of any

WANT TO ENTER THE ARMY.

Iwo Congressmen Witt Offer Their Ser vices as Soldiers CHICAGO, March 30 -A special to the Times-Herald from Washington

Illinois and Louislana will furnish the first congressmen to resign and raise regiments for the war. R. presentative Campbell, of the Twentieth sorting with the republicans who Illinois distric, and Representative were responsible for the hold up. If Broussard, of the Third Louisians theref re McKipley will not use that the Statesman would only look around district have announced that they will at once resign and go home

to prepare for war. "I regard hostiliti s as inevitable." raise a regiment. I have no doubt | ple." toat he will grant it and that I shall b able to out a first-class force in the

fi d very saortly." Mr. Broussard has already forwardel his resignation to take effect on the breaking out of hostilities. He is a much younger man than Mr. Campbell, having been born in the closing days of the Civil war. Mr. Broussard left for his home in Louisiana last

BADLY SHAKEN

Mare Island Navy-yard Vimost Destroyed by Earthquake.

VALLEJO, Cal., March 31 .- Work at he navy-yard has been shut down and 1700 employes are idle. A conservative estimate of the damage done by of those in the city, have formed a the earthquake at the navy-yard trust. Negotiations were almost complaces it at half a million dollars. Only two buildings on the navy-yard escaped damages the administration building and the ordnance storehouse and workshops. The saw mill and paint shops are a mass of ruins, and every building except the two mennaval officer estimates the damage at \$1,000,000. All complicated and ex-Spain Will Make Any Concession pensive machinery is out of place, and will have to be taken down and put up

squeate Your Bours With Cases, etc. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever 0c. 25c. If C C.C. fall, druggists refund money to Your Bowels With Case

Resolutions Declaring War Upon Spain Introduced

TENSION IS GREAT

Lawmakers Cannot Long Be Held in a Pacific Mood by the Administration.

-Nathing Short of Open Hostilities Will Suffice to satisfy the

WASHINGTON, March 29.-Rawlin of Utah, today introduced a joint reso lution in the senate recognizing the independence of Cuba and eclaring war against Spain.

Senator Forsker has offered in the mate a resolution recognizing Cuba's independence. Foraker spoke of the delays caused by the De Lome incident nd the Marne incident, but declared the Cuban question would come up whatever was done with the Maine.

Free in reduced a resolution reciting conditions in Caba and directing the president in his discretion to take steps to drive the Spanish naval and military forces from the 1 land. The military forces from the I land. The Foraker and Frye resolutions went to the committee on foreign relations. The Rawtins resolution also went to the foreign relations committee. Senator Mason (III.) followed the in troduction of the Cuben resolutions in

the senate with a vigorous war speech He described vividly the disaster to tie Maine. He said if 90 of the victims had been senators or sons of senators it would not have been 40 days before war had been declared. Mason declared there could not be

peace so long as a European nation owns and butchers its slaves in this hemisphere. He sais it was not necessary for the Maine court to fix responsibility. The law did that If it was a torpedo, or a mine, it was a Spanish Spain must answer.

"Let us awaken," said Mason, in conclusion, "to glorious war as did our fathers; a war that shall insure honor and respect of our flag ati over the world."

WAR SENTIMENT IN THE HOUSE.

War on Spain.

WASHINGTON, March 29 - Represen tative Marsh (Iil.), chairman of the house committee on militia, today introduced a joint resolution declaring war between Spain and the United

The members of the house who favor immediate and aggressive action are which is not likely. for a majority of tion of the naval appropriation bill, The tripple convention in Portland the republican hold-over senators are and attaching a resolution recognizing ness abroad to engage a British subthe question for proposed gold legis"National banks are to be permitted list week promulgated principles and opposed to him, there will be little the independence of Cuba as a rider. joct in partnership in order that the lation tends to bring this country . x- to issue current notes upon their com-British flag may be floated above them. actly to the state which Mr. Carlisle mercial assets to the amount of the rethe conservatives have to contend with enunciated in the olatform are the The pacific policy of President Mc- is the overwhelming protest which is

Lee Fears No Assassin

NEW YORK, March 29 .- A Herald Secretary-General Congosto asked Consul General Lee to permit him to furnish him with a personal bodyguard. General Les declined his offer year for the president to take a firm and General Congosto contented himstand in the matter, the president's self with increasing the detail of plain clothes detectives who for weeks have kept a careful eye on General i ee at

General Lee, believing that a serious crisis in affairs is likely to occur now at any moment, is today perparing a revised list of all Americans now

Lee Apprehends Trouble.

CHICAGO, March 29,-A special to the Chronicle from Washington, says: General Lee nas cabled the state department that the situation in Havana is critical. There is danger, hessays, of riots growing out of the intense feeling among Weylerites against

Captain Sampson, who is at Key West, and who was informed of the receipt of the message of General Lee, is in communication with the consulgeneral, and at the slightest sign of trouble a message from him will resuit in the dispatch of a man-of war to Havans at once. It will arrive ther within four hours.

The Views of El | iberal. MADRID. March 29 .- The semi offi-

cial Et Liberal says: "The report of the Maine court of inquiry contains no grave statement, pretext for deciaring war, but he will use the reilef of the Cubans. We believe the Spanish government will never tolerate a foreign nation, in the said Mr. Campbell, "and in 24 hours I guise of philanthropy. invading our shall telegraph my resignation to Gov territory, for it would be followed by a ernor Tanner and ask his authority to unanimous protest of the Spanish peo

> McKinley Wants Peace. WASHINGTON, March, 29 .- Senators and others who talked with the president last evening and today say : proposition for an armistice in Cuba came from Spain, and while it is being considered by the president he in si-ted that any proposed armistice must be coup'ed with other conditions which Spain has not shown a disposition to accept and perhaps will not accept It is stated by one senator that matters will be brought to a nead within a very short time.

CHICAGO, March 29 .- Twenty eight ice companies, by far the greater part pleted vesterday for a corporation with a capital of \$3,000,000, to succeed to the business of the smaller concern,

ANXIOUS TO AVERT WAR

vail in political and diplomatic circles Setting Cuba Free. on the issue of the negotiations, the NEW YORK. March 31 .- A dispatch to the World from Madrid says: impression is that the government will do its best to secure peace by The Spanish government has wired the substance of the negotiations be- reasonable concessions to America and tween this country and the United | Cu'ra, although complete independence States to Captain- General Blanco, at may not be conceded. Havana, with a view of obtaining his Despite the reserve observed by both

opinion on the disposition of the insu- | United States Minister Woodford and

Ladies

Tailor-Made Suits

Ladies who visit the showing of our costumes just received, will be delighted, and our invitation to enjoy the fashion show will be 'quickly accepted. Women's tailors have accomplished wonders in a twelve month, and the betterment is all here. In eresting, for fashion study. Helpful for spring decisions.

A world of these at \$12.50 to \$20. Serge, Ladies Cloth, English Home Spun

Ladies Dress Skirts

These handsome skirts have stolen prettiness from the most stylish of the new tailor-made su ts. The next cord plaitings, the new apron effect-every el ver idea is shared by these little-priced Dress Skirts. Some highly elegant sorts are shown; and a multitude at the most liked prices. These hints

At \$6.50 to \$10, Skirts of good quality Brocaded Silk and Serge

Ladies JACKETS AND CAPES.

All that is newest in stuffs and style, all that is best in work and finish is here represented. You will never be satisfied to wear ordinary ready-made or cheap merchant tailored goods when you can buy such garments as we are showing. Our Jackets and Capes represent the very best materials made by expert custom tailors after the most fashionable models.

JACKETS FROM \$3.50 TO \$12.00. CAPES FROM \$10.00 TO \$17.50.

MILLINERY.

This department is now ready for your inspection. The goods shown are selected from the wholesale millinery department of Olds & King, who are acknowledged to be the leading milliners of Portland. We consider ourselves fortunate in being allowed to place before you this beautiful col-. lection of Headwear. Come in! Your minds' worth when you look-Your money's worth if you buy.

PLAIN HATS FROM 25c TO THE FINE KNOX SAILORS, \$4.00, TRIMMED, \$2.00 TO \$20.00.

ALL GOODS MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES

PEASE & MAYS

LUMBERI

Lumber Lumber

We carry constantly on hand a large stock of Rough and Dressed Lumber of all kinds.

SASH AND DOORS.

Paints, Oils and Glass, Building Paper, Cedar Shingles, and Redwood Shingles.

→ JOS. T. PETERS & CO.+

THE DALLES, OREGON

The trust will be in operation early enough for this summer's trade and to other colonial parties, and as to what disposit on the army and the volunteers accurate account of the interview because of the city.

The trust will be in operation early lar government, the autonomist and other colonial parties, and as to what lishes what is generally considered an disposit on the army and the volunteers accurate account of the interview because of the city.

To gult tobarco easily and forever, be magnetic full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-lac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men trong. All dragging, 50c or \$1.000.

While conflicting impressions pre-

of a Sagastand Foreign Minister Gullon-

Your Tax

for the coming year on baking powder will be very light if you buy Schi ling's Best and use only one heaping teaspoonful to a quart of flour.