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OUTNUMBERED
THREE TO ONEThirty Thousand Spanish Looking for
Ten Thousand Cubans Under
General Gomez.

HOW THE PATRIOT DODGES

Says He Cannot Fight a Fitted Battle Because
of the Lack of Ammunition—
Loss of the Hawkins Bothers
Him Very Much.

Havana, Feb. 19.—The Spaniards, according to their own story, have six columns of 5,000 troops each looking for those 10,000 Cubans. Just how General Gomez evades his pursuers, dodges battles and still keeps control of the interior of the island is interesting. Here is the way, insurgents say, in which it is done. Leaving the scattered troops of the three army corps in the eastern end of the island to carry on a guerrilla-like running fight with the Spaniards there, General Gomez has concentrated his main army in the provinces immediately surrounding Havana.

These, Pinar del Rio, Matanzas and Havana, he has divided into prefects, each of which contains two square miles. In each prefect is placed an officer and a small detachment of men. It is the officer's duty to organize a civil government in his prefect, secure volunteers, and, above all, to inform the insurgent commander of the slightest encroachment of Spaniards in his territory. General Gomez declares that he knows the whereabouts every day of all the Spanish troops, and, using this information as a guide, he dodges accordingly.

The old soldier admits that he isn't anxious for a pitched battle. "I can't fight a battle," he said the other day, "for the reason that my troops haven't any ammunition. We have guns enough to supply an army of 50,000 men—good guns, guns we have taken from the Spaniards' troops, and guns we had when the war began. But we haven't ammunition. Much of the ammunition we capture from supply trains for the Matanzas rifle, and we haven't over 500 of those guns."

"And right here," said the general, "I wish the people in New York and Washington to know how little assistance we are getting from the United States in the way of arms and ammunition. We have received just 500 guns and 75,000 rounds of ammunition from American sympathizers."

The loss of the Hawkins, which was known as the insurgent camp almost as soon as it was in the captain's hands, was the severest blow that has struck the old Cuban leader. He mourned over that for days. He wanted the ammunition very badly, and he wanted the assistance of General Garcia.

CUBAN BONDS.

If Belligerent Rights are Granted a Syndicate will take \$15,000,000.

Washington, Feb. 19.—A local paper prints an interview with Dr. John Gutierrez, of the Philadelphia Cuban Junta, who says that a syndicate has made an offer to take \$15,000,000 of bonds if the insurgents are granted belligerent rights by the United States. The price the syndicate will pay for the bonds will be about forty cents on the dollar, giving the Cubans about \$10,000,000. If the insurgents succeed, he asserts, not only will the new bonds be paid but also those issued during the ten years' war.

CRISPI IS UNSHAKEN.

Is Still Firm in the Saddle and Careless of Opposition.

Rome, Feb. 19.—An Egnor Crispi does not fear the opposition, he has accepted their demands and will, he learns, call the chamber together on March 5.

It is probable that the premier will eliminate from the cabinet certain members whose presence he considers a source of weakness. Signor Fortis may accept a portfolio. Signor Crispi's position remains unshaken, thanks to the absolute confidence that King Umberto has in him.

The army of the Sicily is finding increasing difficulty in supplying its commissariat. In case Menotti should retreat General Canali will at once take the offensive.

It is probable that General Baricelli will be recalled in consequence of his criticisms upon Signor Crispi.

JAPAN'S NAVAL PROGRAMME.
The Parliamentary Opposition Demands a More Comprehensive Scheme Than Proposed.

Tokyo, Japan, via Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 19.—The opposition in the Japanese house of representatives have marshaled themselves on a new platform. Knowing the country's desire for a large increment for national armaments, they stand forth as champions of a measure far more comprehensive even than that contemplated by the government. The latter proposes to devote the sum of \$1,000,000 yen to the building of new men-of-war. This opposition proposes to practically double the sum. The subject will come up for discussion by the diet in a few days, when an animated debate may be expected.

The Korean government proposes to raise a foreign loan of \$3,000,000 yen at 4 per cent interest, hypothecating the customs duties as security, the loan to be repaid in twenty annual installments, commencing from 1898. The government further contemplates the building of a railway from Seoul to Ninsen, at a cost of \$200,000 yen, which it intends to be borrowed on the security of the railway.

A NEW TRIBUNAL.

London, Feb. 19.—The house of commons today passed the second reading of the bill providing for the establishment of a board of conciliation, intended to be a permanent tribunal of arbitration for labor disputes.

THE WHITNEY BOOM.

New Orleans, Feb. 19.—The Whitney presidential campaign managers for the states of Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Alabama, opened headquarters here today. The Hon. W. S. McAllister, of Mississippi, has general charge of the movement and will be assisted by friends of Whitney from each of the states named.

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TO PUT AN END TO WAR.

Well Known American to Urge the Creation of an International Board of Arbitration.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 12.—Many of the representative men of America have promised to attend an arbitration conference in this city on Washington's birthday. Invitations have been issued broadcast, and it is thought the meeting will be a great success.

Among the speakers who have notified the managers that they will address the conference are Bishop Potter, Dr. Lyman Abbott, Dr. Austin Abbott, Dr. Felix Adler, Prof. John Bassett Moore, of Columbia college; Dr. Washington Gladden, of Columbus, O., and Samuel B. Capen, of Boston.

The object of this conference is the advancement of the cause of international arbitration, and especially, as a timely and practical application of that principle, the creation of a permanent court of arbitration for the peaceful adjustment of difficulties that may arise between the United States and Great Britain.

The invitations are signed by Mayor Warwick, the Right Rev. O. W. Whitaker, former Governor Patton, George F. Graham, Charles O. Harrison, Miss W. Pett, George F. Edmunds, L. Clarke Davis, A. K. McClure, and other men of like prominence. Herbert Welsh is secretary.

THOUSANDS TO EMBARK.

Spain Rapidly Dispatching More Troops to Reinforce General Weyler.

Barcelona, Feb. 19.—Twelve hundred soldiers for the reinforcement of the Spanish army in Cuba embarked here today, and other battalions, aggregating 4,500, will sail tomorrow and Friday.

DR. BROWN'S TRIAL

The Committee of Ministers to Decide His Guilt Meets.

Opening Statement Made as to What Will Be Proved Against the Doctor—Some Evidence Offered.

San Francisco, Feb. 19.—The Congressional council which is investigating the charges of immorality and unministerial conduct against Rev. C. O. Brown, is today proceeding with the actual trial of the accused clergyman. M. S. Woodhams, representative of the First Congregational church, which Dr. Brown is the pastor of, is the appointed judge advocate. The committee on the charges reports that four charges have been preferred against Dr. Brown by Sarah Cooper, and by her daughter, Hattie Cooper. The charges of which proof was promised by those making the charges are as follows: First—that Dr. Brown was guilty of adultery with a woman named Miss Overman; second, that Dr. Brown in his associations with Mrs. Albertine Stockton was unministerial in his conduct; third, that Dr. Brown has been guilty of intimidation toward Mrs. Lena Blanchard, a non-church member, who voted against Brown at the recent congregational meeting when resolutions of confidence in the pastor were introduced.

Fourth, that Dr. Brown was convicted of a conspiracy with Miss Overman to avoid the exposure of his alleged liaison with Miss Overman; conduct unbecoming to a minister in recommending Mrs. Davidson an ex-communicated Christian woman after the date on which he paid her \$500. Both the reports were accepted and entered on the records of the council.

THE WALLER PARDON.

Now in President Faure's Hands for Signature.

Paris, Feb. 19.—The pardon of John L. Waller, convicted by a court-martial in the island of Madagascar of illegally communicating with the Hovas, and sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment, has been sent to President Faure for his signature.

THE COMING CONTEST.

Tinsmiths Is of the Firm Belief He Will Win Inside of Five Rounds.

St. Paul, Feb. 19.—The fight was practically asleep today. The only point of interest in it was the condition of Maher's eyes, and of them the report was as it has been for the last three days, that they are steadily improving. Fitzsimmons is doing only very light work in order to keep himself in first-class condition. He is certainly in superb shape, but the heavy work of the coming fight will be returned an easy winner inside of five rounds.

All sorts of rumors are afloat as to the location of the battle ground, but Stuart is keeping his own counsel and not until tomorrow night will any information be given as to the location at the time of departure of the train. Dick Plunkett came in from Maher's camp tonight, and declared that Peter was in excellent shape and as strong as an ox. His eyes, according to Plunkett, were somewhat inflamed, but his general condition is excellent.

IS NOT A SILVERITE.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 19.—In an interview Hon. W. Godfrey Hunter, candidate for United States senator, refutes the charge that he leans toward free silver. The bill today read as follows: Hunter, R.; Blackburn, D.; Carlisle, D.; Holt, D.; Cochrane, D.; Tate, D.

SUSPECTS APPREHENDED.

Goldendale, Wash., Feb. 19.—Two suspicious looking men were today arrested in Goldendale by Sheriff Stinson, presumed to be murderers, and wanted in Los Angeles, Cal. Some weeks ago a jewelry store was burglarized and the proprietor murdered in that city. The sheriff is awaiting further description.

THE MARKETS.

Liverpool, Feb. 19.—Wheat, spot, quiet; demand, poor; No. 2 red winter, 5s 4d; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 5s 4d; No. 1 California, 5s 4d.

Hops—

Portland, Feb. 19.—Wheat, unchanged. Having Hoe Cake Soap in your kitchen or bath once means always.

IS AFTER THE
SPANISH LIONUnited States Minister Asks for an
Explanation of Senor Con-
vas' Address.

AMERICAN MORALS ARGUED

Education, Said Convas, is Widespread, but
Only on the Surface, and Americans
Sacrifice Everything for the
Mighty Dollar.

Madrid, Feb. 19.—The Imparcial today credits the story published by the Herald yesterday, and cables exclusively to the Associated Press, saying that Mr. Taylor, United States minister, has addressed a curt note to the Spanish government, demanding explanations regarding an address delivered before the geographical society by Senor Convas, who commanded the caravel Santa Maria, which was sent by Spain to the Columbian exposition.

Admiral Convas, in his address, asserts that the moral atmosphere of the United States is very defective, and that family relations lacked that which was to be expected. Educated while widespread, was only on the surface, and American politicians, he added, have no prestige. He concluded with the remark that in America everything is sacrificed to the mighty dollar, and that business and the materialities of life drown all noble sentiment.

Alvaro Bernager, minister of marine, has investigated as to the circumstances of the address by Senor Convas. The latter has denied the accuracy of the extracts of his lecture, which were published in the press, and has said there was nothing in it offensive to America. The government has offered Mr. Taylor, United States minister, satisfactory assurances of its sincere friendship for the American nation. It is believed the incident has thus been ended.

NOTHING KNOWN AT WASHINGTON.

Washington, Feb. 19.—If Hannis Taylor, United States minister at Madrid, has reported on the authority of the Spanish newspapers, addressed a curt note to the Spanish government, demanding an explanation of an attack made upon the United States in an address by Senor Convas before the geographical society, then the minister has acted entirely upon his own responsibility for nothing of the subject matter of the complaint is known at the state department.

CORRESPONDENTS BARRED.

Weyler Will Permit None to Accompany Spanish Columns in the Field.

Madrid, Feb. 19.—A dispatch to the Imparcial from Havana says that Captain General Weyler has announced that he will issue a permit to correspondents of foreign newspapers to accompany the operating columns of the Spanish army.

ARMS FOR THE STRUGGLERS.

Much Ammunition Being Shipped to Cuba from Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Feb. 19.—Coincident with the arrival in this country of Dr. Castell, secretary of the treasury of Cuba, the sending of aid to the insurgents has been progressing more rapidly than ever. There sailed yesterday the Norwegian steamer Oslava, an expedition of fifty men and a quantity of arms and ammunition. The vessel has been purchased outright by the Cubans, and will be used by them for future work.

News has been received here that within the last ten days ten vessels have carried to Cuba from this country 70,000 cartridges, a quantity of powder and dynamite, and 5,000 rifles. One of the local junks said today:

"As there is no pressing need for men at this time, no regular expedition will be sent to the island. General Maco and General Gomez have under their immediate command in the provinces of Havana and Matanzas 10,000 men, who are without arms except the machete. He could easily get as many more if he could equip them."

SPANISH DETECTIVE MISSING.

Hoston, Mass., Feb. 19.—Hugh F. F. Palmer, a Spanish detective, who was driving the Carlist uprising, disappeared from his home in this city last Friday. It is feared that while slightly demented he left Boston to join the Spanish forces in Havana.

AN AMERICAN'S CONTRACT SUSPENDED.

Colon, Colombia, Feb. 19.—The government of Colombia has decided to suspend the cancellation of the contract granted to Mr. Cherry, an American contractor, in connection with the Cauca railroad, as Mr. Cherry will continue operations until the Colombian congress shall have considered the matter and arrived at a decision.

ANOTHER SUICIDE.

McMinnville, Or., Feb. 19.—Charles S. Hubbard, a farmer, living five miles west of this city, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself through the head with a rifle placed under his chin. Financial difficulties was the cause. He was an old resident, and leaves a wife and several small children.

THE QUEEN.

San Francisco, Feb. 19.—The Pacific Coast Steamship Company announced today that the steamer Queen, owned by the company, will be withdrawn from the route to the Alaska route from Puget Sound ports. She will be run as an excursion steamer and make close connections with all steamers from this port. The Queen will be withdrawn from the Portland run as soon as the Columbia is fully repaired, which will be within a week. The freight steamer George W. Elder, which lost her rudder post the other day, sailed for Astoria today and will run regularly on the route hereafter.

THE WIZARD AT WORK.

Orange, N. J., Feb. 19.—After experimenting for two weeks in his laboratory at West Orange, Thomas A. Edison today succeeded in taking an instantaneous photograph by means of Boesjens rays from fluorescent tubes, the rays having penetrated a heavy cardboard and vacuumed a three plate holder. Another experiment, a sharply-defined image of a metal strip, was made on a plate with four and one-half inches of wood between the plate

and the fluorescent tube, and, after an exposure of twelve minutes a photograph was taken. Mr. Edison said that by the end of the present week he would be ready to try to take a picture of the human head.

USING DYNAMITE.

Johannesburg Nearly Blown to Pieces—
Many Killed and Wounded.

Johannesburg, Feb. 19.—An explosion of dynamite has occurred at Ventersdorp, and the poor quarter of the town has been blown to pieces. Hundreds of houses are in ruins and the havoc wrought is fearful. A large number of persons have been killed. The windows of every house in Johannesburg were broken by the explosion.

AWFUL LOSS OF LIFE.

Many Women and Girls Killed in a Fire at Lisbon.

Lisbon, Feb. 19.—At a masked ball given by the Artist Club of San Tago last night, a fire broke out shortly before midnight and spread with great rapidity. A terrible panic followed the first alarm, and all present rushed for the exits, which were soon jammed with terrified people. Despairing of escaping by any other means, men, women and children jumped from the windows, seriously injuring themselves.

Thus far forty-four bodies have been recovered. All except one are women and girls.

BILL NYE DYING.

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 19.—"Bill Nye," the humorist, is seriously ill at his home at Buck Shoals tonight, and it is thought he can only live a few hours.

OUR MANUFACTURES

What Has Already Been Done in the
City by the Sea.Capital Employed for Many Years—The
Ground Work for Other Institutions
Which are Sure to Follow.

Amidst the agitation for a railroad, depot site and depot sites, without end, the establishment of manufactures, and the bringing of outside capital for investment in enterprises which will furnish pay rolls must not be overlooked the prosperous factories already in operation, and which will furnish a nucleus for the gathering of others in the city of the future.

Amongst the several prosperous manufacturing plants operating in Astoria, one of the oldest is the Astoria Iron Works. It was organized in 1881, and A. D. Wase was its first president. J. G. Hustler, secretary, and John Fox superintendent. The capital stock at that time was \$4,000. It has done in the past a general foundry business, manufacturing and repairing of machinery of all kinds, particularly fish canneries. Its business has steadily grown, until today the capital stock is \$20,000, and the company employs thirty-five men, with an average pay roll of \$100 per day.

The present officers are: John Fox, president; O. B. Prael, secretary, and the First National Bank, treasurer. The Astoria Iron Works has a capacity for manufacturing and repairing all kinds of boilers, marine machinery, and general machinery. It employs only the very best of workmen in each department, and pays the highest wages. During the past years, many ships have been repaired by this institution, among them being the whaleback Wetmore, for which a new rudder was made, and the Norwegian freight steamer which came into this port a few years ago with a broken shaft. Yesterday a shipment of cannery machinery was made to Japan by the steamer Signal, which only goes to show that Astoria is making a reputation for this class of work.

The management expects to increase the plant and the number of employees in the near future. The company owns the ground upon which its buildings are situated, and has no rent to pay. It will be prepared to meet all the demands of the increased growth of the city at any time. Its business today averages \$200 per month, and it is fair to presume that with the prospects of this year's improvement in business, these figures will be doubled.

ARMY BILL PASSED.

Washington, Feb. 19.—The house today passed the army appropriation bill, carrying \$23,759,922.

The conference report on the urgent deficiency bill was adopted.

PAYING FOR THE BONDS.

New York, Feb. 19.—The total deposits of gold up to 3 p. m. today, at the United States vs. Pool and Case, convicted of robbing the mails at the time of the hold-up of the Southern Pacific train in July last, for hearing on February 18. The attorneys for the defendants ask for a rehearing on the ground that they have discovered new testimony, which will have a tendency to establish their innocence. United States Attorney Murphy, who has also been looking up new evidence, claims to have found enough to outweigh anything the defense is likely to produce, and is ready to compare notes with them—Plaindealer.

A WOMAN'S HEART.

Toronto Truth.
Anxious Mother—What's the matter, Arthur?
Arthur?—I am desperately in love with Clara Vere de Vere, and I am afraid to risk my fate by proposing. I fear she does not care for me.

"I suppose she often speaks enthusiastically of her girl friends when talking to you."
"Some of them."
"Are the ones she praises living in or near the city?"
"No—o, come to think of it. Some of them live out West and the rest are on a five years' tour of Europe."
"Did she ever refer to any girl you meet or come as being 'sweet' or 'pretty' or 'lovely,' or anything of that sort?"
"No."
"She loves you."

"I see that fashion wears out more apparel than the man—Shakespeare."
The world must have great minds, even as great spheres—Bailey.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

Royal Baking Powder
ABSOLUTELY PURE

A BEAUTIFUL
MEMORIALServices Held Last Night in Pythian
Hall Commemorative of
the Dead.

MANY ELOQUENT ADDRESSES

Inspiring Music and Appropriate Recita-
tions Celebrate the Death
of Heroes Gone
Before.

The beautiful and impressive annual memorial services of the order of Knights of Pythias, was celebrated last evening in Pythian Hall, by Astor and Pacific Lodges. The spacious room was crowded to its limit, and many ladies were amongst the victors. The music was in charge of Mr. T. M. Lightner, who presided at the organ, and the quartet was composed of the following well-known singers: Mrs. J. T. Ross, Miss Pearl Holden, and Messrs. Barker and Garner. The music during the entire evening was some of the best ever heard in Astoria and reflected great credit upon the participants. Solo by Mrs. J. T. Ross and Mrs. H. J. Weeks were most excellent, and recitations by Mr. Terry McKean, Miss Kate Shively and Miss Clara Dunbar, were appropriate and well received. The regular order of the lodge was observed as per program.

The Hon. Mr. Barker, district attorney, delivered an address on the subject of friendship, in which he drew the lesson that while Pythian Knights could not possibly affiliate with all, yet their object was friendship, and they today number 60,000 members. Past Grand Chancellor Dr. Jay Tuttle also made an eloquent address, and for his theme, "What We Do for Humanity—Good for Evil." The ceremony of the lodge of depositing the malle upon the altar, in remembrance of departed brothers, was most impressive. First the officers formed a square about the altar, and each, as he laid down his emblem of eternal friendship, made a few appropriate remarks. Then the members of the lodge, led by Alex. Campbell, master-at-arms, formed in single file, and each deposited his emblem of eternal remembrance. The oration of the evening was delivered by Past Grand Chancellor A. A. Cleveland, who in fitting language, portrayed the deeds of virtue and martyrdom performed by the brothers departed, and extolled their virtues and explained the tenets of Pythianism. He urged every brother to cultivate his feelings from the heart and bury it as deep as were buried the faults of dead brothers, and to remember that the noblest garments would befit a Knight of Pythias.

STATE NEWS.

Interesting Items Culled From Oregon's
Leading Newspapers.

Throughout the country the farmers are busy poisoning squirrels. All who are able to buy poison are killing the animals by the thousand, but many farmers and some people in the towns of the country are neglecting to take any steps for the extermination of the pests. Some farmers claim that they have poisoned the squirrels on their own lands, and that consequently their lands are immediately overrun from the lands of those who are neglecting to do anything—East Oregonian.

Clay Long, a prominent candidate for sheriff in the Democratic party, was in city yesterday looking after, doubtless, his chances before the convention for a place on the ticket. Mr. Long is one of the rising young men of Douglas county, and the party could not do better than to bring him to the front. If elected—and he might be—he would doubtless make a good officer. Mr. Long is of pioneer stock and a reliable Democrat. No A. P. A.—Roseburg Plaindealer.

Judge Bellinger has set the motion for a new trial in the case of the United States vs. Pool and Case, convicted of robbing the mails at the time of the hold-up of the Southern Pacific train in July last, for hearing on February 18. The attorneys for the defendants ask for a rehearing on the ground that they have discovered new testimony, which will have a tendency to establish their innocence. United States Attorney Murphy, who has also been looking up new evidence, claims to have found enough to outweigh anything the defense is likely to produce, and is ready to compare notes with them—Plaindealer.

It is rumored that the Southern Pacific Company will establish a roundhouse and repair shops at Creswell in this county. The only repair shops that the company now have in this state south of Portland are at Roseburg. The company owns sufficient land, and it is said have an excellent site for a roundhouse and repair shops at Creswell. The company is at present making Creswell the distributing point for the products of their cross-tie plant. Lathrop and have acres of ground covered with the "doctored" timbers. A night watchman is employed to guard the timbers and avoid danger of fire from the hobo element—Eugene Guard.

The owner ought to be more honorable than the estate—Xenophon.