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WEAK POINTS IN DEFENSE

Strenuous Efforts to Keep Du Clam From Labor.

HIS SICKNESS A CANARD

Reputable Physicians Are Refused to Attend Him—Fraud and Dishonesty of General Staff.

RENNES, Aug. 26.—"Deadmen tell no tales." This is the barricade behind which Mercier and the general staff have interlocked themselves. But, there is a weak point in their defence. Colonel Paty du Clam, and the military clique are striving to keep him out of Labor's clutches. If they can prevent Du Clam, now called "the sick man of the Dreyfus affair" from appearing at the witness bar, they can effectively put the silence of the tomb between the truth and justice.

Labor is fighting tooth and nail to drag him into court, but Jonaste persists in refusing him the necessary assistance. He declines to send reputable doctors to officially report on the state of Du Clam's health, which every Dreyfusard firmly believes is only diplomatically affected and he will recover quickly enough after the trial.

GENERAL MERCIER DENOUNCED.

Charged With Introducing False Document to Convict Dreyfus.
PARIS, Aug. 26.—In the Figaro, M. Cornely says:
"It is hard to be forced to rank M. De Freycinet, or General Mercier, in one of these categories: inventive calumniators, folk who believe their neighbor's venal because they are venal themselves and simulators."
"There is ground for hope therefore,

that one or the other of these gentlemen will end by stating on what precise facts he bases his conviction of the existence of a syndicate armed with 25,000,000 francs and how he transforms into gain the real sacrifice of a revision have made for their faith.

"I have the honor of knowing M. De Freycinet and have been charmed with his precise and luminous mind. I must lie in wait for him when he comes to Paris and beg him to prove the existence and indicate the headquarters of the syndicate of treason."

M. Clemenceau, in the Aurore, says: "General Mercier is taken in the act of introducing into the dossier a false document in order to obtain the condemnation of Dreyfus. The coup which he made in 1894 with Henry and Paty du Clam, he is repeating in 1899, with General Chanoinne as an accomplice. The two culprits may arrange their stories as they like, the fact is undeniable they were caught red handed."
"If General Chanoinne is the delegate of General Mercier, as the facts show, how can the minister of war dare to absolve him of having attempted to introduce a forgery into the dossier instead of sending him with Mercier, to the Cherche prison to meditate on the dangers of a forger's trade."

CHINESE WERE REFUSED LANDING AT HONOLULU.

Bills Incurred By Their Detention Causes Trouble at Washington—All Quiet at Samoa.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—A special to the Record from Honolulu, August 19, via San Francisco, August 25, says:
There is trouble about the bills incurred in connection with the numerous Chinese who were refused landing here by Chinese Agent Brown, last December, and were afterwards admitted under the decision of the secretary of the treasury on the ground that the return permits issued by the Hawaiian government prior to annexation were valid.

The bills were for their maintenance at the quarantine station pending the decision of the question. The amount to about \$10,000. The board of health, which has jurisdiction over quarantine, refused to pay them and they were sent to the treasury department at Washington. The department refused to pay them, because there was no appropriation out of which they can be paid. The agent of the steamship Cory, refused to pay them because the Chinese were detained without warrant of law. They come back to the board of health, which has referred them to the cabinet, which has asked an opinion of the attorney general on the subject.

Commissioner C. M. E. Elliot, of the Samoan commission arrived yesterday evening from Auckland. He says that the conditions are now those of peace and quietness. A proclamation was to be issued by the provisional government the day after the Alameda sailed from Samoa, calling on all Mallettoans not residents of Apia to leave that place and go to their homes.

ADMIRAL WATSON ILL.

An Accident to the Launch of His Flagship Produces Heart Trouble.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—The Army and Navy Register says:
Recent letters from Manila mention the illness of Admiral Watson as the source of great anxiety to his officers. The illness is an effect of an accident which occurred to his launch while he was on board on the 11th of July. The Baltimore, his flagship, has been for some time at Cavite, leaving Manila so as to escape the full force of the typhoons. Requiring to make a trip up the river, the admiral started in his launch. A strong wind was blowing and as the launch, the Undine, went under the bridge over the river, known as the bridge of Spain, the strong current, aided by the wind, set against the little boat and she was taken out of her course and thrown against a hawser from a sailing vessel. This rope carried away the evening and, striking the smokestack took that also. Admiral Watson, sitting in the forward part of the launch, and witnessing the full danger of the accident showed no conscious appearance of having been startled excessively by the occurrence of in any way of having suffered by it. Later, however, in fact before his return to the flagship, serious heart trouble developed and in consequence he was regarded as extremely ill up to the date of the letters of the 17th. No one but his physician is allowed access to him and all business of the fleet is forbidden.

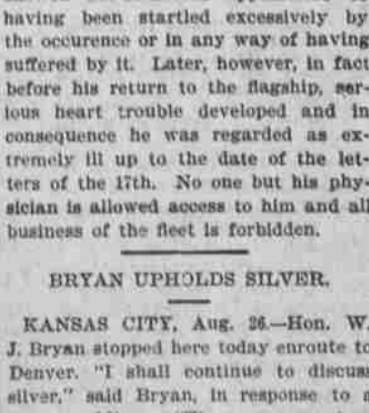
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WAR MUST SURELY COME

England Making Preparations to Fight the Boers.

MANY CONFLICTING REPORTS

Week One of Tension in Great Britain—Santo Domingo Rebels Defeat Government Troops.

LONDON, Aug. 26.—Though no actual developments apparently has taken place in the Transvaal situation, public interest in the crisis has wonderfully quickened. This is due to a dawning realization that Great Britain is making the most methodical preparations for war. The utter lack of official news and the serious outlook have made a week of tension. Contradictory reports from home and abroad have flourished.

An endless supposition has been indulged in regarding President Kruger's counter propositions, but from a broad point of view, such details are not important, as compared with the fact that Kruger has refused, some say evaded, the "irreducible minimum" of Sir Alfred Milner, British high commissioner of South Africa. It is nearly a week since the British government has been in possession of Kruger's reply. Whether, in the interests of peace, the powers higher than the secretary of state for the colonies are still temporizing, or whether a decisive ultimatum is already on the way to the president of the Transvaal, is pure conjecture.

GOVERNMENT FORCE DEFEATED.

Santo Domingo Rebels Defeated Enemy With Heavy Loss.

CAPE HAITIEN, Aug. 26.—News has been received here confirming the report of yesterday's fighting in Santo Domingo. General Pacheco, at the head of 400 revolutionary troops, fought the government troops for three days, inflicting heavy losses.

It is reported the government force lost 150 men killed and wounded, and the revolutionists captured two field pieces. General Antonio Calderon, one of the government commanders, was killed.

ATKINSON'S PHAMPLET RESPECTFULLY RETURNED.

Confessman Shattuck, of Ohio Refused to Take it From Mail and Explains the Reason.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 26.—The following correspondence between Edward Atkinson, of Boston, the anti-expansionist leader, and congressman, W. R. Shattuck, of Cincinnati, explains itself:
Boston, Aug. 15, 1899.—Hon. W. R. Shattuck, M. C., Madisonville, O. Dear Sir: A copy of "Anti-Imperialist" is returned to me with this endorsement: "Respectfully returned. Take my name off your list. I am no traitor to my country."
I am very glad to have the information that you are not a traitor. Had you been, I should have taken your name off the list of members of congress, to all of whom my pamphlets in support of Senator Hoar and others are sent. I may add that since we may assume that you do not support the opponents of criminal aggression, our effort to take your name off the list of the members of congress at the next election will be fully justified. In the interval you may receive other copies of documents similar to that which you have returned, because I cannot at present expurgate my mail list.

Yours very truly,
EDWARD ATKINSON.
Cincinnati, Aug. 19, 1899. Edward Atkinson, Esq., Boston. Dear Sir: I have received your letter of the 15th inst., and beg to tell you that I would not, even for the nomination of congress support those guilty of criminal aggression against this government, (as you are guilty). Your intimation that you may be able to have my name taken off the list of the members of congress, because I decline to receive your treasonable documents, is already evidence of your monumental gall and egotism. You will succeed in your effort about as well as you did in getting your criminal literature in the hands of Aguinaldo and his followers. You knew what you were doing when you tried to get this trash into the rebels hands. Your purpose was to give the rebels encouragement to embarrass the government of the United States and to induce the rebels

BRYAN UPHOLDS SILVER.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 26.—Hon. W. J. Bryan stopped here today enroute to Denver. "I shall continue to discuss silver," said Bryan, in response to a query, adding: "There was a story from Des Moines recently that I was putting silver in the back ground. I am not. I will not. I was incorrectly reported. Silver will be placed along side the other great issues and it will be given a due share of consideration."

DEFEAT OF THE EMPEROR

German Diet Defeats the Government on Canal Bill.

Not a precinct in the first Ohio congressional district would elect you or one of your kind as a delegate to a convention to nominate a director for the county poor house. The citizens of this district are loyal, patriotic people and I am sure they are not in sympathy with those who are doing all they can to embarrass President McKinley and the government in the effort to restore order and suppress the rebellion in the Philippines. When that is accomplished, it will be to determine what form of government shall be established in those islands.

Our people applaud the speech made by our president recently, when he said, speaking of our flag, "it is the flag of the free, the hope of the oppressed, and whenever it is assailed, at any sacrifice, it will be carried to triumphant peace." That is the kind of talk our people like to hear.

For fear that you will forget it, let me suggest that you make a memorandum that the nomination for congress in the first Ohio district will be made about September 1900. It will be necessary for you, to secure the result you desire, to commence your work a little before that time—the earlier, the better—for I am assured that your friend Aguinaldo, will cease to exist as a military chieftain long before that date. Very respectfully,
W. B. SCHATZUCK, M. C.

BATTLESHIP KEARSARGE WILL SOON BE LAUNCHED.

Expected to Take Place September 5—New Improvements Will Make Her Greatest Ship Afloat.

NEWPORT NEWS, Aug. 26.—The trial trip of the battleship Kearsarge will take place between September 5 and 15. The ship is now within about four per cent of completion and is sufficiently advanced to warrant the statement that she will be sent away from the ship yard on her first trial trip, the early part of next month. Reports have been sent out from Washington to the effect that owing to the delay caused by a shortage of men during the yellow fever scare the Kearsarge could not go out until the latter part of October and the Kentucky not until December, but these had no foundation.

The trial trip of the Kearsarge is being looked forward to with great deal of interest. She will be the first warship ever built embodying the super-turret idea, that is with the eight inch turrets over the thirteen inch turrets, enabling the ship, as well as the Kentucky, to concentrate on one point a far heavier fire in less time than any other ship afloat. Captain William Folger, who will command the Kearsarge, has been here for some time superintending the work on the vessel and he will go out on her when the trial trip between the ship yard and the Atlantic ocean takes place.

Captain Folger is one of the high authorities in the navy on ordnance and his opinion of the success of the super-turret idea after the trial, will be worth something.

The Kearsarge has just received a coat of white paint which she will wear on her trial trip.
The speed of the Kearsarge will also be watched with interest by naval men. The contract speed is only 16 knots, but the Newport News Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Company has thus far managed to exceed contract speed in all of its merchant and government contracts, and it is believed the Kearsarge and the Kentucky will not be exceptions.

The three little gunboats, the Nashville, the Helena and the Wilmington, the best and speediest boats of their class in the world, all far exceeded the contract speed. If the Kearsarge makes in the neighborhood of 17 knots an hour on her official trial, many naval men will not be surprised.

IDAHO MINERS' RIOTS.

General Merriam Makes an Official Report at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—The report of Brigadier General Merriam on the miners riots in Idaho was received here today. General Merriam gives a detailed history of the events so far as the troops under his command took part. The report shows that governor of Idaho, and not General Merriam, declared martial law and that a proclamation forbidding the employment of union miners of Warden emanated entirely from the state authorities.

WILLIAM MUCH INCENSED

Regards it as Personal Insult and Will Demand Punishment to Offenders—Cabinet Called to Berlin.

BERLIN, Aug. 26.—The political situation this week has been highly interesting. The unexampled defeat of the government in the diet, which was a personal defeat for Emperor William, has engrossed attention. The absence of his majesty complicated the situation for the cabinet and the emperor not having expected a rejection of the canal bill, no provision was made as to what steps the government would take in such an event.

For several days political chaos reigned. Detailed reports were wired to the emperor, and every member of the cabinet participating in the debates and his majesty wrote and wired replies in which it was apparent he felt a keen sense of the personal outrage and meant to deal punishment to the worst blunders and offenders.

It was only on Wednesday that the nation and the cabinet began to know precisely how the emperor stood and what were his intentions regarding the unprecedented situation. It appeared that Emperor William had concluded not to dissolve the diet and not to accept the resignation of the cabinet. Being resolved on this, the present outcome of the crisis amounts to next to nothing.

NARROW ESCAPE OF A SALT LAKE JUDGE.

Receives a Box of Dynamite and Giant Powder From a Criminal Whom He Had Sentenced.

SALT LAKE, Aug. 26.—Judge O. W. Powers, a prominent attorney, this afternoon received by express from Eureka, Utah, a box containing giant powder and dynamite. By some intuition the Judge did not open the box but handed it over to the police, who opened it and found the explosives, with matches, sandpaper and percussion caps so arranged that had the box been opened in the ordinary way, it could not have failed to explode.

In the express office was found a similar box addressed to Warden Dow, of the state prison. The sender of the packages is supposed to be a man named John Smith, whom, ten years ago, Judge Powers sentenced to nine years in prison for train robbery.

GREAT RECEPTION TO CALIFORNIA VOLUNTEERS.

Streets Lined With Thousands of People and All Civic and Military Organizations Represented.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—The popular welcome of the California volunteers reached a climax tonight in a parade which scarcely ever has been exceeded in the city for size or picturesque features. The crowds in the streets exceeded those ever before called out by a similar demonstration. Almost every civic and military organization in this part of the state were represented in a long line which comprised an escort to the home coming troops, and hundreds and thousands of spectators along the line of march were wildly enthusiastic.

HILL'S NEW POSITION.

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 26.—Jan. J. Hill, vice-president of the Eastern Minnesota Railroad Company is to become general manager of the Great Northern, a position newly created. Louis M. Hill, who has been assistant to his father, will succeed his brother with headquarters at Duluth.

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