TREACHERY OF SPAIN

Lee Accuses Spanish Officers of the Work.

DOES NOT IMPLICATE BLANCO

Two Rows of Torpedoes Placed Across Havana Harbor Entrance Within the Past Two Months.

Washington, April 16.—The testimony taken before the senate committee on foreign relations in connection with the investigation into the relations between the United States and Cuba was made public today. It constitutes a book of about 650 pages, and includes not only the testimony taken since the disaster to the Maine, but also much that was known before and running back for a year or more.

The statement which contains greatest current interest is that made by General Lee on the 12th inst. In his statement Lee says he was informed on very good authority that the Spaniards placed two rows of torpedos just at the mouth of Havana harbor within the past two months, or subsequent to the Maine disaster, and that switchboards are in a room in Morro castle.

"Had you any reason to suppose the harbor was mined at all before the blowing up of the Maine?" asked Senator Frye.

"No, sir. I had no reason to suspect anything of that sort up to that time."

He then went on to say that the writer of a letter to Santos Gusman had led him to believe mines might have been placed there previous to the Maine incident, and he said this supposition was strengthened by a telegram from Weyler, of which he had cognizance. Upon the whole, he thought the Weyler letter (the Laine letter) was a correct copy of the genuine letter. The telegram to which he referred was addressed to Eva Canela, a noted Spanish woman and admirer of Weyler, and to Senor Gusman, and it read as follows:

"Grave circumstances cause me to ask you to destroy the letter of February 12."

Lee said this telegram had never before been published, and he found in it strong confirmatory evidence of the genuineness of the letter.

With reference to responsibility for the destruction of the Maine, Lee said:

"I am satisfied the explosion was from the outside. I have always believed the Maine was not blown up by any private individual, but by some officers who had charge of mines and electric wires and torpedos in the arsenal, who thoroughly understood their business, for it was done remarkably well. I don't think Blanco had anything to do with it. I don't think he had any knowledge of it. I was sitting in my room at the hotel when I heard the explosion, and saw a great column of fire go up in the air. After ascertaining that it was the Maine, I went right down to the Palace and asked for Blanco. He came in at once. He had just heard the news and was crying. Tears were coming out of his eyes. He seemed to regret it as much as anybody I saw in Havana. I think it came from some subordinate officers, who had been there under Weyler, and who were probably anti-Blanco anyhow, and who had full knowledge of the business."

SPAIN'S PREPARATIONS.

Scouring European Waters for Warships —Mobilizing Her Fleet.

New York, April 16.—Official confirmation has been given to the announcement of the departure of the cruisers Vizcaya and Almirante Oquendo for the Cape Verdes islands, where the Spanish torpedo fleet is lying, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald. They left San Juan five days ago, and are expected at their destination within the next two or three days.

In accordance with the instructions given by the Spanish minister of marine, the mobilization of the Spanish naval force at Cadiz continues. Spain is scouring the European markets for desirable merchant ships which can be transformed into auxiliary cruisers.

No confirmation has been received of the rumored purchase by Spain of the Saale and Spree, of the North German Lloyds line. Should it prove true, and should war break out within the next 10 days, it can be stated on excellent authority that the Saale at least will never fly the Spanish flag. The Saale will arrive at New York on Saturday next, and if the Saale has been sold to Spain there is no doubt the government would seize her at New York and impress her into the American navy.

The Spree is in German waters, so that it will be impossible to reach her.

Besides the Spree, Saale, Normannia and Columbia, Germany has other merchant ships especially built for conversion into auxiliary cruisers, which it is believed here her agents are inspecting.

War Risks Advance.

New York, April 16.—Marine risks took another sharp advance today. Rates on vessels sailing for the southeast coast of South America were quoted at 4 per cent, or double yesterday's quotations.

Polo's Trunks Are Packed.

Washington, April 16.—The Spanish minister, Senor Polo, has made final preparations for his departure from Washington, but no actual step in that direction will be taken until specific instructions are received from Madrid. Up to the present time, there have been no such instructions and no intimation that they are about to come, but the preparations for removal have been completed, in view of the obvious condition of affairs.

The News in Havana.

Havana, April 16.—About 5 o'clock this evening La Lucha published an extra which were eagerly snapped up from the newsvenders. The extra contained General Lee's declarations at Washington that the Spaniards exploded the Maine. The news that he had made this statement produced great indignation, the public commenting upon it in the streets, stores and cafes, and condemning it in various ways.

Most of the large quarries in Maine are putting electric hoisting apparatus in their plants.

REPUBLICANS OF OREGON.

Convention Held in Astoria—Nominations and Platform.

The Republican state and congressional conventions were held in Astoria last week. The congressional convention, which met on Wednesday, nominated Malcolm A. Moody, of Wasco county, for representative for the second district.

Thos. H. Tongue, of Washington county, was nominated for representative for the first district at the congressional convention held in Eugene a few days previously.

The state convention met on Thursday and completed a state ticket before adjournment was taken.

The following resolution was adopted immediately after organization was effected:

"Resolved, That the following message be at once wired to President McKinley: 'The Republicans of Oregon, in convention assembled, to the president of the United States, greeting: With the utmost confidence in the wisdom of your administration and pledging you the support of the state of Oregon, we express our earnest convictions that the Maine was destroyed by design or criminal neglect of Spanish officers, and that this outrage is just cause for the United States to drive the Spanish nation from the Western hemisphere.'"

The State Ticket.

Governor—T. T. Geer, of Marion.

Secretary of state—F. I. Dunbar, of Clatsop.

Supreme judge—F. A. Moore, of Columbia.

State treasurer—Chas. S. Moore, of Klamath.

State printer—W. H. Leeds, of Jackson.

Attorney general—D. R. N. Blackburn, of Linn.

Superintendent of public instruction—J. H. Ackerman, of Multnomah.

The Platform.

"We, the Republican voters of the state of Oregon, in convention assembled, congratulate the people of the state as well as of the whole nation on the unmistakable fact that the dark cloud of adversity, which has hung like a pall over our fair land, has been dissipated. We recognize that the return of prosperity is due to the restoration of the Republican party to power.

"We are in favor of the maintenance of the present gold standard; we are unqualifiedly opposed to the free coinage of silver and to all other schemes looking to the debasement of the currency and the repudiation of debt. We believe that the best money in the world is none too good to be assured by the government to the laborer as the fruit of his toil and to the farmer as the price of his crop. We condemn the continued agitation for free silver as calculated to jeopardize the prosperity of the country and to shake the confidence of the people in the maintenance of a wise financial policy; we particularly condemn as unpatriotic the efforts of the free-silver agitators to array class against class and section against section; we declare that the interests of all classes and of all sections of our country alike demand a sound and stable financial system.

"While we deplore the imminence of war, we recognize that the country is on the eve of war, undertaken for the vindication of the national honor and the performance of a work dictated by every instinct of humanity; we declare that the administration is entitled in this conflict to the confidence and support of the entire people.

"We are firmly attached to the principles of the federal constitution; we recognize that representative government is one of these principles, and we are opposed to any change in law or constitution which will abrogate this time-honored principle.

"We are in favor of retrenchment and reform in state and county matters.

"We demand strict economy in public affairs, and the abolition of all needless offices and commissions.

"The salmon fishing industry, so fruitful a source of revenue to the state, should be fostered, and to that end we favor state aid in the artificial propagation of salmon, and their distribution in the waters of this state.

"We affirm our allegiance to the principles of the Republican party of the United States, as enunciated by the Republican convention in St. Louis in 1896.

"We denounce the fusion party of Oregon as an aggregation of spoilsmen, who are ready to subordinate principles to offices. Each of the parties to this compact is willing to stultify itself and form alliances with elements which it has heretofore denounced as dangerous and unfit to be intrusted with power; we declare that good government cannot come from such an alliance."

A Western man has designed an endless chain propeller for boats in which a double chain of buckets is hung to two shafts extending crosswise through the boat, with power transmitted to the shafts by piston rods attached to a crank section in the center of each shaft.

Moscow has a hospital large enough to hold 7,000 persons. It was founded in 1764, and at present takes in children at the rate of 40 a day, or about 15,000 a year. There are 26 physicians and about 900 nurses.

Very Calorie.

The emotional literateur has just written a piece of which he was very proud. The editor looked it over and then said:

"Do you candidly think such opinions ought to go into cold type?"

"I don't know much about the practical work of printing," was the reply, "but I don't believe it makes any difference. Even if the type is cold I guess that article will take the chill off it."—Washington Star.

When It Didn't Count.

"Did you give him any encouragement?" inquired the mother, referring to the impecunious young man who refused to consider himself out in the cold.

"Oh, dear, no; none at all," replied the beautiful daughter. "On one or two occasions at the seashore last summer I promised to be his wife, but that was all."—Chicago Post.

Canada's imports from the United States increased $3,000,000 last year, and her imports from England decreased $3,000,000.

ALASKA SALMON FISHERIES.

Secretary of the Treasury Has a Bill for Their Protection.

The secretary of the treasury has submitted to congress the draft of a bill for the amendment of the laws now in force for the protection of the salmon fisheries of Alaska. The secretary thinks that the present laws are inadequate to meet the existing requirements and should be amended. The proposed changes are based on recommendations submitted by agents who were appointed to investigate the state of the fisheries, and are as follows:

Traps should only be erected under regulations prescribed by the secretary of the treasury.

The protection to salmon trout should be withdrawn, as those fish are said to be destructive to salmon spawn and fry.

The laws should be extended to territorial waters so as to prevent the erection of obstructions in rivers and streams.

No salmon canneries should be erected in Alaska without permission from the secretary of the treasury.

An annual statement should be made by all canneries and such establishments to special agents for salmon fisheries, and employes of the treasury department should be assigned to act as special agents without extra compensation.

A tax should be levied upon the output of all canneries, salteries, fish oil and fertilizer works; and the penalty for violation of the fisheries law should be increased from $1,000 to $5,000.

Portland Market.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 80@81c; Valley and Bluestem, 82@83c per bushel.

Flour—Best grades, $3.00; graham, $3.55; superfine, $2.50 per barrel.

Oats—Choice white, 38@39c; choice gray, 35@36c per bushel.

Barley—Feed barley, $19@20.00; brewing, $21 per ton.

Millstuffs—Bran, $17 per ton; middlings, $23; shorts, $17.

Hay—Timothy, $12.50; clover, $10@11; Oregon wild hay, $9@10 per ton.

Eggs—Oregon, 11@11½c per dozen.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 45@50c; fair to good, 40@45c; dairy, 35@40c per roll.

Cheese—Oregon full cream, 12½c; Young America, 13@14c.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, $3.50@4.00 per dozen; hens, $4.00@4.50; geese, $6.00@7.00; ducks, $6.00@7.00 per dozen; turkeys, live, 13@13½c per pound.

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, 40@50c per sack; sweets, $1.75@2 per cental.

Onions—Oregon, $2.25@2.60 per sack.

Hops—14@16c per pound for new crop; 1896 crop, 4@6c.

Wool—Valley, 14@16c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 7@12c; mohair, 25c per pound.

Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 4c; dressed mutton, 6½c; spring lambs, $2.50@3 each.

Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, $4.25; light and feeders, $3.00@4.00; dressed, $5.00@5.50 per 100 pounds.

Beef—Gross, top steers, $3.50@4.00; cows, $2.50@3.25; dressed beef, 6½@7c per pound.

Veal—Large, 6@6½c; small, 7@8c per pound.

Seattle Market.

Potatoes—Yakimas, $13@14 per ton; natives, $11@12; sweets, 2½c per pound; box of 60 pounds, $1.75.

Butter—Fancy native creamery, brick, 25c; ranch, 14@15c; dairy, 16c; Iowa fancy creamery, 23c.

Cheese—Native Washington, 12@13c; Eastern cheese, 12½c.

Eggs—Fresh ranch, 15c; California ranch, 14c.

Meats—Choice dressed beef steers, 8c; cows, 7@7½c; mutton, 8½c; pork, 7c; veal, small, 8c.

Poultry—Chickens, live, per pound, hens, 13c; dressed, 14c; turkeys, live, 12c; dressed, 16c.

Fresh Fish—Halibut, 6@7c; steel heads, 7@8c; salmon trout, 12½c; flounders and sole, 3@4c; tom cod, 4c; ling cod, 4@5c; rock cod, 5c; smelt, 3@5c; herring, 4c.

Olympia oysters, per sack, $3@3.50.

Corn—Whole, $23; cracked, per ton, $23; feed meal, $23 per ton.

Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, $23; whole, $22.

Flour—Patents, per barrel, $4.25@4.50; straights, $4.00; California brands, $4.75@5; Dakota brands, $5.40@$5.75; buckwheat flour, $6.

Millstuffs—Bran, per ton, $16; shorts, per ton, $17@18.

Feed—Chopped feed, $18@20 per ton; middlings, per ton, $24; oil cake meal, per ton, $35.

Hay—Puget Sound, new, per ton, $11@13; Eastern Washington timothy, $16@17; alfalfa, $12; straw, $7.

Wheat—Feed wheat, per ton, $23.

Oats—Choice, per ton, $23.

San Francisco Market.

Wool—Nevada, 11@13c; Oregon, 12@14c; Southern coast lambs, 7@8c.

Millstuffs—Middlings, $23@25.50; California bran, $19.50@20.50 per ton.

Onions—Silverskins, $2.50@2.85 per cental.

Eggs—Store, 12½@13c; ranch, 13½@14c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 18@19c; do seconds, 18c; fancy dairy, 18c; good to choice, 16@17c per pound.

Fresh Fruit—Apples, 25c@$1.35 per large box; grapes, 25@40c; Isabella, 60@75c; peaches, 50c@$1; pears, 75c@$1 per box; plums, 20@35c.

Potatoes—Early Rose, 40@50c.

Citrus Fruit—Oranges, navels, $1.00@2.25; Mexican limes, $4.00; @4.50 California lemons, choice, $1.50; do common, 50c@$1.00 per box.

Hay—Wheat, $20@24; wheat and oat, $19@23; oat, $14.50@16.50; best barley, $17@20; alfalfa, $13.50@16; clover, $13@15.

Hops—12@15c per pound.

Cheese—Fancy mild, new, 10c; old, 10c per pound.

French challies line up in profusion in all fashionable tones of color. For instance, if you get a French challie, you can have it plain or with satin stripes, with floral design or conveniently patterned; it may be dotted or not.

An Indiana man has discovered a process by which he can get petroleum from abandoned gas wells in quantities as large as before the wells collapsed. If the lucky gentleman did not also reside in Kokomo we would accept the remarkable story with a grain of suspicion.

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ANIMALS AS MODELS.

Some of the Experiences of an Artist in Sketching From Life.

"Leaves from the Sketch Book of an Animal Artist," is an article by Meredith Nugent in the St. Nicholas. Mr. Nugent says: There was an elephant in the Jardin-des-Planets that would not pose unless he were paid for it, and paid in advance. Then he took payment in buns and pie, but if these were not forthcoming, he would deliberately walk to the farther end of the enclosure and turn his back. The only way to get a drawing of this big fellow was to engage some one to feed him meanwhile. In the same gardens I saw an unusually interesting sight one morning. A little sunbear with a large marrow bone in his shaggy paws was resorting to all sorts of bear devices to get the sweet marrow. Suddenly he lay down on his back, placed one end of the bone in his jaws, and with his hind paws tipped the other end of the bone so high up that the choice morsel slipped into his mouth. If the animal could only have understood the shouts of approval that greeted this performance, I think it would have turned his head. In one of the sketches you will see how this feat was accomplished. As a rule I find the models very good natured. True, they keep a sharp eye on me for the first few days, but after that are generally quite friendly. Of course, there are some parts of the business they do not like. The oriole never was happy when I held him in my hand for close inspection, but a beautiful cat which rebelled when I first placed her in a bird cage—to keep her in front of me—grew so fond of being there, and after I finished my drawings she cried and cried to be put back into the cage. Intense curiosity is the great characteristic of animals when in the studio. They are as much interested in you and the surroundings as you are in them. This is especially the case with birds. Leave the studio but a few minutes, and these two-legged fellows are hopping into everything. Of course they inspect the paper on which you have been drawing, and the paints, and the brushes, and occasionally vary these proceedings by taking a bath in the water bowl.

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

The twentieth century will begin on Jan. 1st, 1901, and end with 2000. People did not begin to reckon time from A. D. 1, but waited until about the 550th year of the Christian era. People who begin to take the great health restorative, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, immediately after the first outbreak of dyspepsia, malaria, rheumatism, constipation, nervousness or kidney trouble will date their cure immediate y from them.

Draughting compasses are being made with a flexible rubber suction cup of one end to fasten to the paper and hold the instrument while the circle is being drawn.

In the spring cleanse your system by using Dr. Pfunder's Oregon Blood Purifier.

Bad Roads Are Costliest.

When once the fact gets firmly established in the minds of the farmers of the United States that it is more expensive to maintain bad roads than to make and keep in condition good roads they will take active interest in the question and an era of road building will begin which will add to their wealth, prosperity and comfort, and benefit the country at large as much as has the laying of railroad tracks and the advance of the steam locomotive. Let those engaged in agriculture study such figures as those recently issued by the supervisor of New York, wherein he shows that it costs half as much to haul produce three miles by wagon as it costs to haul it 500 miles on the railroad. The supervisor figures out that with a system of good macadam roads the farmers would save an amount each year equal to the interest on from $10 to $30 an acre, according to the crop raised, and would increase the value of their land either to sell or hold by a like amount.

Police as Shark Catchers.

Among the multifarous duties which demand the attention of the Calcutta police the capture of sharks in the Hooghly finds a place. During the past 20 years rewards have been paid for the destruction of these marine maneaters, and recently the Bengal government laid down a scale for these payments.—N. Y. Sun.

It is stated that 55 English towns and cities are now burning their garbage and solid refuse, using an average of about 10 furnaces each. Steam is generated and used for electric lighting and other purposes.

Little Africa a Man.

Little Africa, a lithe, petite dancer, sprang into popularity at Detroit a few weeks ago, and through a shrewd manager, became a drawing card at private "dinners" given by the "nice" young men. Two weeks ago the Detroit light guard gave a "smoker," and one of the attractions was the mysterious Little Africa.

The Seeley dinner dance was reproduced in all its interesting details. The little "wiggler" was recalled again and again, and each time responded with a new movement. Glasses clinked to her honor, she was showered with bouquets and coins, and every effort was made to discover her identity. Since that two "quiet" stag parties have been given by Detroit select young men, and Little Africa, the clever little dancer, as nearly costumed a la Eve as was consistent with proper entertainments, has been idolized.

Society was scandalized, and Little Africa supplanted many a sweetheart in the affections of some fast young men. Her admirers have been searching the city to do her homage, and the scandalized members have been searching for her to make her trouble.

It has now been discovered that the dancer was Frank Bruesser, a well-known costumer, who has been having fun at the expense of his friends. Bruesser's form has a remarkable resemblance to that of a woman.

A CHEAP TRICK.

To manufacture a cheap kalsomine stuck on the wall with glue, claiming it to be the "same thing" or "just as good" as the durable Alabastine, or to buy and sell such goods on such representations would seem a cheap trick. Some resort to it. To be safe, buy Albastine only in packages and properly labeled.

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March 8, 1897. SAMUEL PITCHER, M.D.

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Before 1886 the average number of labor strikes of all kinds in this country was about 500 a year. Since that date the average has been 1,500.

Two bottles of Piso's Cure for Consumption cured me of a bad lung trouble.—Mrs. J. Nichols, Princeton, Ind., March 26, 1895.

Coal mined in China is being exported to California, and it is said that in a few years the Flowery Land will supply the whole Pacific coast.

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Spain's Underground River.

The Guadiana, a Spanish river, after flowing for 30 miles overhead, vanishes underground, and for the next 30 miles pursues its course as an underground river, only appearing at intervals in the shape of lakelets, the ogos or eyes of the Guadiana as they are called. This is the largest underground river which has been fully traced.

Use only *one* heaping teaspoonful of *Schilling's Best* Baking Powder to a quart of flour.

You must use *two* teaspoonfuls of other baking powder.

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Church Built of Coral.

A church built of coral is one of the curiosities of the Isle of Mahe, one of the Seychelles islands in the Indian ocean. The Seychelles islands, which are supposed by many to be the site of the Eden of Old Testament history, form an archipelago of one hundred and fourteen islands, and are situated about 1,400 miles east of Aden and 1,000 miles from Zanzibar. They rise steeply out of the sea, culminating in the Isle of Mahe, which is about 3,000 feet above the level of the ocean, and is nearly the center of the group. All these islands are of coral growth. The houses are built of species of massive coral hewn into square blocks, which glisten like white marble, and show themselves to the utmost advantage in the various tinted green of the thick tropical palms, whose immense fern-like leaves give pleansant and much-needed shade. These palms grow as high as 100 feet and more, overtopping both the houses and the coral-built church. They line the seashore and cover the mountains, forming in many places extensive forests.

The magnetic clock was invented by Dr. Locke, of Cincinnati, in 1847-48.

The name of Nebraska is an Indian word, which means shallow water.

MOTHERHOOD.

Mrs. Pinkham Declares No Woman Need Despair.

There are many curable causes for sterility in women. One of the most common is general debility, accompanied by a peculiar condition of the blood.

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Timidity of an Elephant.

Riding along a road in India, I saw the following instance of a big elephant's timidity, which I venture to send to you: The elephant, ridden by a mahout, was followed by a small Maltese terrier which, intent on its own affairs, trotted beside its master, making occasional instinctive investigations by the roadside after the manner of dogs, without particularly noticing other travelers. From the first moment the elephant set eyes on the dog he never lost sight of him, turning from side to side always with an eye on the small animal, and hurrying out of his way whenever he approached. The timidity of the one and the confidence of the other were irresistibly amusing. —London Spectator.

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