

Army Preparing to Go to Cuba.

MAY LAND AT MATANZAS

Regular Troops Now on the Way to Tampa-Object Is to Strike a Decisive Blow Before the Rainy Season Sets In-Work in War Department.

Washington, April 80 .- A rather striking signification of the invasion of Cuba was made today in the chartering of eight large steamers, of an average capacity of about 2,000 tons, and able to carry from 500 to 1,000 passengers each. These are to be used as transports for the conveyance of the first military expedition to Cuba. The names of the boats are the Olivette and the Flordia, of the Plant line, now in the Gulf; the Southern Pacific Company's steamer Aranzas; the New York & Texas Company's vessels Comal, now at New York, and Alamo, now en route to the Gulf, and three fine ships of the Boston Merchants' & Mariners' line, in Baltimore, the Allegheny, Berkshire and the Decatur Miller. The price paid for those vessels is from \$10,000 to \$15,000 for the 30 days for which they are chartered. They will be taken charge of by the quartermaster department at the earliest possible moment.

General Shafter, in command of the troops now concentrated at New Orleans, has been in consultation with the officials today as to the execution of plans of campaign, but the orders given him cannot be made public.

The president and cabinet will consider the large number of applications that have been made for the appointment to the posts of major-general and brigadier-general, and there is some expectation that he will be able to nominate a few of these officers soon.

General Fitzhugh Lee arrived here today, after a 10 days" visit to Virginia. With him came Miss Cisneros, the young Cuban girl rescued from Cabanas, who has been the guest of Miss Lee. The general shared the keen public interest in the report of the shelling of Matanzas. He has visited that city frequently, and was familiar with the lay of the land and defenses. He said the batteries were antiquated and were no longer able to offer any formidable resistance.

Every endeavor is being put forward by the war department to organize the volunteer army and increase the regular army to its full strength. Mustering-rolls of the companies of the volunteer army have been prepared in the war department and sent to the officers who have been detailed to formally induct the state troops into the service of the government. With a few modifications they are the same as those used in the late war.

The question of arms and equipments for the volunteer army is now receiving the attention of the ordnance department and the quatermaster-gen-

Trade Conditions in the Leading Cities of the World. [Reported by Downing, Hopkins & Co., Inc., oard of Trade Brokers, 711 to 714 Chamber of ommerce building, Portland, Oregon.]

WEEKLY MARKET LETTER.

Great activity in wheat last week American war continues, the price of 11 o'clock last night. wheat will go higher at Chicago, but it now seems that peace means lower prices, for the tollowing reasons: Europe has been advancing very largely, ments could be largely met by Ameri-can shipments, and large purchases The

the advanced prices on account of the fear of a war with Spain. The enormous export demand has not advanced our home markets largely, but has compelled every line of shorts to cover, eaving the market in just the shape for a serious break. The Minneapolis a blinding flash directly under the tor-market Record says: "After a long pedo-boats. spell of dullness in the flour market ousiness picked up in very good shape the past week. Sales, with two exceptions, were larger than for any one week since the beginning of the crop year, one local company alone selling pearly 200,000 barrels. The demand from abroad, for both patents and clears, was in excess of production and all was for quick shipment. Indications are that stocks on the other side of the Atlantic are pretty well cleaned up and buyers over there are, in consequence, in a hurry to replenish them. Sales of patents for domestic account have been heavy to buyers east of Chicago. Stocks are rather low all over the country." Not for years has the Northwest been as short of wheat as now. Country stocks have reached a very low point, there being probably less than 2,000,000 bushels held at this time by country houses, only a very small portion of which is contract wheat.

This explains why the Minneapolis wheat market has advanced over 20 ents in one week. The wheat to fill contracts is not in sight. Out of the small country supply must go the wheat for country milling, with no new wheat to come for grinding until September.

Portland Market.

Wheat-Walla Walla, 92@93c; Valey and Bluestem, 95@96c per bushel. Flour-Best grades, \$4.90; graham, \$4.85; superfine, \$2.75 per barrel. Oats-Choice white, 45c; choice

ray, 43@44c per bushel. Barley—Feed barley, \$25; brewing,

\$26 per ton. Millstuffs-Bran, \$19 per ton; midllings, \$25; shorts, \$19.

Hay-Timothy, \$12@13; clover, \$11 @12; Oregon wild hay, \$9@10 per ton. Eggs-Oregon, 11c per dozen.

Butter-Fancy creamery, 85@40c; hir to good, 80@35c; dairy, 25@80c per roll.

Cheese-Oregon full cream, 121/c; Young America, 13@14c.

Poultry-Chickens, mixed, \$3.50 per dozen; hens, \$4.00; springs, \$8@4; geese, \$6.50@7.00; ducks, \$6.00@ 6.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 12@14c per pound.

Potatoes-Oregon Burbanks, 80@40c per sack; sweets, \$1.75@2 per cental. Onions-Oregon, \$1.75@2.00 per

ack. Hops-5@12% per pound for new

rop; 1896 crop, 4@6c. Wool-Valley, 14@16c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 8@12c; mohair,

25c per pound. Mutton-Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 4c; dressed mutton, 61/c; ticles:

WAS IT A SPANIARD ?

Bungling Attempt Made to Blow Up Torpedo Boats.

Portland, Or., May 2 .- A bungling attempt to set fire to the shop or frighten the workmen on torpedo-boats 12 was caused by the remarkable advance and 13 was made under the wharf of in all foreign markets. If the Hispano- the Wolff & Zwicker iron works about

While nothing could be learned of the perpetrator, a Spaniard or a Mexican who was seen hanging about the fearing a blockade of our ports and a place all day and who had been several famine at home unless their require- times ordered away is suspected by the

The late workmen, who were just have been made for foreign account at quitting the building, were startled, as the whistle blew, by a dull report apparently just below the wharf on which the torpedo-boats are building, which shook the structure to its foundation. The Madison street bridge night watchman also heard the detonation and saw

> Three of the workmen seized lanterns and hurried beneath the wharf. Just as they reached the ground, a second report, like that of a shotgun or revolver, was heard, and they saw a light flash for an instant, but that was all. Groping about by the dim light of their lanterns, they were unable to find anything which could have made an explosion, and they finally decided to abandon the quest till daybreak.

The Spaniard whom the police suspect of having set off the explosion, either with the deliberate purpose of blowing up the torpedo-boats or setting fire to the building, or thinking to terrify the contractors, had been slinking about the place all day.

Whatever was the purpose of the man who set off the explosion, he failed to do any more harm than to set the town agog, for the wharf and boats were unscathed.

ALLEGED GERMAN NOTE.

Rumor That She Will Not Permit the Bombardment of Manila.

Madrid, May 2 .- A great impression has been produced here by a rumor that the German government has issued a note declaring that it will not oppose the landing of troops in the Philippines but will not permit a bomhardment, owing to the important German mercantile interests in all the towns of the island. Germany's omision to declare neutrality is held to be the cause of the rumor.

Japan has requested permission for Japanese naval officers to watch the operations in the Philippines from the Spanish headquarters.

The United States fleet is not expected to reach Manila until Tuesday. The Spanish fleet has been divided in two. It will be reinforced by a large auxiliary cruiser.

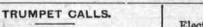
According to dispatches from Manila, the Vos Espanola describes the port of Manila as impregnable. The paper also says that the forts of Maleton, Sud Malatea, Pastei, Mirallas and St. Lucia Pilar bristle with guns, chiefly Krupps.

PORTUGAL'S NEUTRALITY.

Officially Announced in a Proclamation in Lisbon.

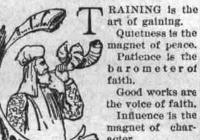
Lisbon, May 2.- The official gazette today publishes the neutrality decree of Portugal in the war between Spain and the United States.

It is similar to the decree issued at the outbreak of the Franco-Prussian war, and contains the following six ar-



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Ram's Horn Sounds a Warning Note to the Unredeemed.



magnet of character. Capability the polestar revolution.

Discipline is the crucible of responsibility.

In forgiving a fault, we may inspire a virtue.

The man who stands for God is safe to stand alone.

The gospel means not law over men, but love in them.

Temptation is the balance where character is weighed. Conscience makes cowards of only

those who fail to obey it. Emotional Christians, like jelly fish,

float with the tide. To put works against faith is to contrast the tree with its roots,

To define is to limit; a finished theol-

ogy would make God finite. Love has emulation without strife, unity without uniformity.

One's faith shows less what he is than what he is trying to be.

Beware of prosperity; luxury was the death-knell of Rome's vigor.

Knowledge and wisdom make strong team when hitched together.

Those who worship wealth, will bow in adoration before good clothes,

Record of a Russian Hospital. 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 forty a day, or about 15, 000 a year. There are twenty-six physiclans and about 900 nurses. During the first century of its existence the hospital received and brought up no fewer than 468,560 children. On his retreat from Moscow in 1812 Napoleon gave special orders that this building should be spared.

The counterfeit coin may be lead, but it's hard to push.



ing powders. Alum makes good medicine but bad food. Ask your doctor. 613

The spiders that spin webs are in an infinite minority compared with those which do not. Ground spiders, as the non-spinners are called, abound everywhere, and depend on agility and swiftness of foot to catch their prey.

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Luxury of the Current Electricity can be applied to innumerable uses about the house, sup-

planting the less convenient devices and contrivances, but, unfortunately, the new ones using the current almost always cost more than the old. Where money is no object and luxury and convenience are supreme considerations everything conceivable can be done by electricity. For instance, on the yacht Niagara, built for George Gould, and recently launched, the electric plant is employed to furnish light for 440 16candle-power incandescent lamps, and storage batteries are provided capable of supplying energy for 80 more. The dynamos are so designed that as many as 900 lamps can be illumined for purposes of display, besides a powerful searchlight on the bridge. There are also electric heaters, ourling tongs,

smoothing irons, ranges, warming-pans and electric elevators. Electricity will operate the laundry and dryingroom, it will heat chafing dishes and bring out the music of a big orchestrion. Call bells, telephones and such minor electric devices are also provided in profusion.

Cement Admixtures.

For the past three years the cement trade section of the British board of trade has been making investigations into the question of cement admixtures, and the result is that the board announces that "Portland cement be defined as a mixture of two or more suitable materials intimately and artifically mixed in the requisite proportions, and afterward properly treated, to which nothing has been added during or after calcination except that an addition not exceeding 2 per cent of gypsum is per-missable." If anything more be added the article so produced shall not be called Portland cement. The worst adulterants for Portland cement are decided to be ragstone and blast-furnace slag, the latter by far the more objectionable.

There are four millionaires in England to one in France.

BAD PAT AND HARD WORK.

The bad pay and hard work of trained nurses The bac pay and hard work of trained nurses has often been made the subject of benevoient remonstrance by eminent medical men and nonprofessional philanthropists. It is well for an invalid, before he gets so bad as to need a nurse or doctor, to use Hostetter's Stomach Bit-ters if he has chills and fever, constipation, rheumatism, dyspepsia and nervousness. Use it regularly.

In France there have been found only two criminals whose measurements by the Bertillon system coincided.

Meteors rush through space at the rate of 25 miles a second. They are not usually larger than a pebble, and on striking the earth's atmosphere they immediately dissolve into gas.

For use in place of toe clips on a bicycle a plate is attached to the shoe having a recess in which a projection on the pedal fits to hold the rider's foot in place.

While the hishop of Sodor and Man was watching the cutting down of one of his trees recently, the tree fell upon him, knocking him down. It catching on a railing saved his life.

Experiments with locomtives on the Wheeling & Lake Erie railroad show that a slight addition of graphite to the oil used for lubricating purposes promotes economy.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MOTHERS. We are asserting in the courts our right to the exclusive use of the word "CASTORIA," and "PITCHER'SCASTORIA," as our Trade Mark. Cleveland Oil & Paint Mfg. Co.,

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MRS. B. A. LOMBARD, Box 71, Westdale, Mass., writes: "I have reason to think that I would not be here now if it had not been for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It cured me of a fibroid tumor in my womb.

"Doctors could do nothing for me, and they could not cure me at the hospital. I will tell you about it :

"I had been in my usual health, but had worked quite hard. When my monthly period came on, I flowed very badly. The doctor gave me medicine, but it did me no good. He said the flow must be stopped if possible, and he must find the cause of my trouble.

"Upon examination, he found there was a fibroid tumor in my womb, and gave me treatment without any benefit whatever. About that time a lady called on me, and recommended Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; said she owed her life to it. I said I would try it, and did. Soon after the flow became more natural and regular. I still continued taking the Compound for some time. Then the doctor made an examination again, and found everything all right. The tumor had passed away, and that dull ache was gone." It can be truthfully stated that such a result can be accomplished by no other remedy upon the market, and forcibly proves the peculiar virtue of the Vegetable Compound

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what has falled. WEAK MEN. He restores lost vigor and vi-tality to weak men. Organs of the body which have been weakened through discase, overwork, excesses or indiscretions are restored to full power, atrength and vigor through his own successful sys-tem of treatment.

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eral's department. As soon as information is received as to the exact number of arms needed for the volunteers, they will be shipped to their state rendezvous for distribution.

The three independent regiments of cavalry authorized by the volunteer army act, and which are to be composed exclusively of frontiersmen, are to be known as the First, Second and Third regiments of United States volunteer cavalry. They are to be composed of 12 troops each.

Off for the Front.

Chickamauga National Park, Ga. April 30 .- The two companies of the Ninth (colored) cavalry, which arrived in Chattanooga late this afternoon, were stopped after having started to Chickamauga, and switched into the Western & Atlantic yards. Orders are said to have been received to have the troops proceed as rapidly as possible to Tampa, Fla., to which point the troops from Mobile have also been ordered, and they will leave before morning.

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It is currently reported that the companies of the Ninth regiment now in camp here will be shipped at once to Tampa, as well as the Twenty-fourth ling cod, 4@5c; rock cod, 5c; smelt, 3@ infantry (colored). Officers of the 5c; herring, 4c. Ninth have been making, every preparation for departure.

Another Letter Held Up.

Washington, April 30 .- The postoffice department has information of another letter being held up because it contained treasonable matter. The postmaster at Santa Cruz reported that a letter to Senor Sagasta, Spain, had been mailed there, and, under direction of Assistant Postmaster-General Tynan its contents were examined. It was mailed by a woman who gave an address where an answer would reach her, and contains information in regard to the fortifications of San Francisco, where guns are located, etc. The letter will be referred to the war department.

Suspected Spanish Spy.

Laredo, Tex., April 80 .- When the Great Northern mail train arrived this evening a stranger on the train was arrested by an officer from Fort McIntosh, and from what could be learned he is thought to be a Spanish spy, who has been under surveilance all the way from New York. He was bound for Mexico. The prisoner is at the post, but nothing further of a definite nature could be learned tonight.

pring lambs, 10c per lb. Hogs-Gross, choice heavy, \$4.25;

ight and feeders, \$3.00@4.00; dressed, \$5.00@6.25 per 100 pounds. Beef-Gross, top steers, \$3.50@

1.00; cows, \$2.50@3.25; dressed beef, 6%@7c per pound. Veal-Large, 5@5%c; small, 6@ 6%c per pound.

Scattle Market-

Potatoes-Yakimas, \$11@12 per ton; natives, \$8@10; sweets, 21/2c per pound;

box of 60 pounds, \$1.75. Butter-Fancy native creamery, brick, 23c; ranch, 10@12c; dairy, 16c; Iowa fancy creamery, 21c.

Cheese-Native Washington, 12@

13c; Eastern cheese, 12 1/2 c. Eggs-Fresh ranch, 15c; California ranch, 14e.

Meats-Choice dressed beef steers, 8c; cows, 7@7%c; mutton, 8%c; pork, 7c; veal, small, 8c.

Poultry-Chickens, live, per pound, hens, 15@16c; dressed, 18c; turkeys, live, 14c; dressed, 17@18c.

Fresh Fish-Halibut, 6@7c; steel heads, 7@8c; salmon trout, 9@10c; flounders and sole, 3@4c; tom cod, 4c;

Olympia oysters, per sack, \$3@3.25. Corn-Whole,\$23.50;cracked, per ton, \$24; feed meal, \$24 per ton.

Barley-Rolled or ground, per ton, \$26; whole, \$25.

Flour—Patents, per barrel, \$5.00@ 5.25; straights, \$4.75; California brands, \$6.00; Dakota brands, \$5.00 @\$5.75; buckwheat flour, \$6.50.

Millstuffs-Bran, per ton, \$16; shorts, per ton, \$17@18. Feed-Chopped feed, \$21@22 per

ton; middlings, per ton, \$18@19; oil cake meal, per ton, \$35.

Hay-Puget Sound, new, per ton,

\$10@13; Eastern Washington timothy, \$17; alfalfa, \$11; straw, \$7.

Oats-Choice, per ton, \$28@30. Wheat-Feed wheat, per ton, \$24.

San Francisco Market.

Wool-Southern coast lambs, 7@8c. San Joaquin, 7@8c; Northern, 11@12c per lb.

Millstuffs-Middlings, \$23@26.50; California bran, \$21.00@21.50 per ton. Onions-Silverskins, \$2.00@2.50 per

cental. Butter-Fancy creamery, 19c; do seconds, 1816c; fancy dairy, 18c; good

to choice, 17@17%c per pound. Potatoes-Early Rose, 85@40c.

Eggs-Store, 111/2 @12c; ranch, 121/2 @180.

First-Forbidding the equipment of privateers in Portuguese waters.

Second - Forbidding the entry of privateers into Portuguese waters.

Third-Permitting belligerents to make a short stay in Portuguese ports. Fourth-Defining legitimate trade as regards the belligerents and forbidding trading in goods considered contraband of war.

Fifth-Warning Portuguese and foreigners in Portugal against actions contrary to the security of the state. Sixth-Refusing protection to any

infringers of the decree.

COST OF THE WAR.

Sum Needed for Additional Army Expenses.

Washington, May 2 .- The secretary of the treasury today received from the secretary of war estimates of deficiencies in appropriations for the expenses of the war for the remaining two quarters of the present fiscal year, aggregating \$84,019,987. In his letter, Secretary Alger says that the acts of congress approved April 22 and 28, 1898, authorizing the enrollment of a volunteer army and placing the regular army on a war footing, will necessitate this increase for the organization, support and maintenance of the new forces.

This estimate, which will be transmitted to congress, is entirely independent of the allotments made by the president to the war department out of the \$50,000,000. This will indicate that up to July 1 next (two months) the increased expenditures on account of the war will be approximately \$90,-000,000.

The Spanish government officials are bewildered at the attitude of Great Britain. They believe the government and people of Great Britain hold divergent opinions, and that the official acts of Great Britain are due to a secret compact with the United States.

Washington, May 2 .- Secretary Alger this morning issued a most sweeping order directed to all bureau chiefs of the war department and all officers on special duty, from highest to lowest, instructing them, under no circumstances, to give information to the press on any subject connected with the war. A similar order already exists in the navy department.

Manila, May 2 .- The government has forbidden the use of cipher dispatches.

In Paris the trees in the public streets are treated with as much attention as are the plants in botanical gardens. Officials look after their welfare, and as a result the streets are beautiful and comfortable.

HOME PRODUCTS AND PURE FOOD.

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

In the British lord chamberlain's de partment the position of chimney-sweer is held by a woman, and the office of statuary mason is also filled by a member of the fair sex.

