CONGRESS DETERMINED.

Both Houses Will Demand Prompi Action on Cuba.

ISLAND MUST BE INDEPENDENT

Though Those of the Majority Whe Favor Recognition Will Not Press Their Demands-An Enthusiastic Re ception to General Lee, Who Declare. Spaniards Abetted Wreck of Maine

Washington, April 13 .- The burden o responsibility for the next move in the Spanish crisis having been shifted by the president's message upon the shoulders of congress, the Capitol yester. day became the storm center, with the foreign affairs committees of the two houses as the foci. The struggle in each committee was long and bitter with this marked difference between that at the senate wing and that at the house end of the Capitol-in the sen ate committee the Democrats as wel as the Republicans participated while at the house end the task was to se cure harmonious action among the Republicans so as to present, if possible a solid front when the Democrats were finally called in for action.

The senate committee's resolution will be the more radical of the two. It will declare for immediate intervention a general recognition of the rights o the Cuban people to freedom and independence, and will demand the withdrawal of the Spanish forces from the island.

Cuban conference of Republican representatives decided last night to work in harmony with the house foreign affairs committee on representations of the latter's firm position to be incorporated in a report to the house, expected today. This is the most significant step yet taken by the body of about three score aggressive Republican members whose course has been towards radical action. They were in session for an hour yesterday at the adjournment of the house, and after some vigorous speeches and the submission of a report on how the foreign affairs committee stood decided that they would be satisfied with the report from the foreign affairs committee if it from the foreign affairs committee if it in view of America's assistance in made no change in the position it ancausing the prolongation." nounced to the steering committee, substantially as follows:

A preamble reciting the conditions in Cuba, consisting largely of quotations They iFeel That an End to Anxious from the president's message, which constitutes a scathing arraignment of Spanish misrule and the barbarities of the war, a vigorous reference to the blowing up of the Maine and a resolution authorizing, empowering and directing the president to intervene at once for the purpose of restoring peace and order and the establishing of a firm, stable and independent government on the Island of Cuba, with the free consent of the people of the island. and empowering the president to employ the army and navy forces of the United States for this purpose.

As prepared by the committee the resolution provided for the establishment of a "stable government" in Cuba, but the radicals' steering committee insisted that it read "stable and independent government," and the house committee yielded.

There is a general feeling in Washington among public men that the action of congress, as foreshadowed in the resolutions, renders the situation extremely critical, and conservative leaders of both parties consider war inevitable as a result of their adoption unless Spain makes a final and complete surrender by giving up the Island of Cuba. The situation is regarded as so critical that the Republicans of the ways and means committee, as a result of private conferences, have reached an agreement as to the method of raising \$100,000,000 additional revenue annually for the prosecution of the war by increasing the tax on beer and tobacco and placing a tax on tea and coffee. They also agreed to authorize the issue of a popular loan of \$500,000,-000 and the issue of certificates of indebtedness to meet emergencies.

The diplomatic phase of the Spanish situation is in statu quo. It is the expectation that this status will continue for the present at least, while congress considers the subject. A definite understanding has been reached by the representatives of the six great powers of Europe that no additional action from that quarter would be opportune at this

The armistice has gone into effect in Cuba, but no word has come as to the attitude of the insurgents. If they do not accept it the expectation of the Spanish government is that this will be made manifest within the next few days of continued hostilities by the forces of Gomez and others. If the Spanish troops are attacked while in garrison they will defend themselves and thereafter will feel free to take the offensive.

Word reached here yesterday that the Spanish consul at Kev West had retired from the consulate there because of threats said to have been made against his life. This is the first removal of a Spanish official in the United States as a result of the present

trouble. It was stated this morning on high authority that an arrangement has been practically effected by which the senate Cuban resolution may pass both houses today. It is understood that the foreign affairs committee of the house and senate will confer for the purpose of perfecting an agreement whereby the Foraker resolution will be substituted for the other resolutions. It will be modified by the elimination of the second paragraph, which recognizes Cuban independence, and other

slight changes made. The ovation that has followed Consul General Lee since he set foot on American soil on his return from Havana culminated last night in Washington in what was in many ways one of the most remarkable demonstrations the city has ever seen. From the moment he alighted in the railroad station in the afternoon he was surrounded by a cheering crowd that followed him to the state department, and the spectacle of army and navy officers and govern-ment employes cheering outside the very door of the secretary of state was lly unprecedented in the history of that staid department. At night the hotel, and stood for hours in the stree waiting for a glimpse of him. A large party came from New York, and there were fireworks and bands of music General Lee was obliged to make a speech, in which he declared that it war comes in a few days or a few years New York and Virginia would stand shoulder to shoulder.

The popular official arrived at 2:30 yes terrday afternoon, and it was with dif ficulty that he reached the carriage ir waiting. The enthusiasm was uncon trollable and the crush tremendous. At the state department the clerks deserted their desks and cheered him to the door of Secretary Sherman's room. His sub sequent trip to the White House was a

continuous ovation. Before the senate foreign relation. committee, late in the afternoon, General Lee expressed his belief that the Maine was destroyed with the knowl

BITTERNESS IN MADRID.

edge of Spanish officials.

Senor Sagasta Very Much Disgustee With the President's Message. London, April 13 .- The Madrid correspondent of The Daily Mail telegraphs

as follows: "The message has produced a very deep and bitter impression. Many friends of the cabinet share in the sentiments of general discontent. I am assured on good authority that Senor Sagasta is very much disgusted with the message, seeing the difficulties sidered harbingers of a bursting forth ahead as a consequence of it.

"The comments in political circles are very heated. Many people believe the government ought to show greater energy. Senor Moret, a leading and the most conciliatory member of the cabinet, is said to have expressed the By a practically unanimous vote, the j opinion that the message is 'not so bad as I had anticipated.'

"The influential press is rather reserved in its comments, but the impression which the message has made on the people at large is very unfavorable. They, however, appreciate the gravity of the situation.

"El Correo, Madrid's official organ. last night gave its first impressions since the reception of the cabled abstracts of President McKinley's message. It says: 'President McKinley's insistence on the right of American interference in Cuba is little agreeable to Spain, while his complaints against the prolongation of the war appear, to impartial minds, steeped in bitter irony

OUR SAILORS GRATIFIED.

Delays Is Near at Hand. West, April 13.-Key West is strung to a high tension today, and even those who has been scoffing at what they termed the administration's "infirmity of purpose," approve the action of congress and are satisfied that the distressing uncertainty of the past month is drawing to a close.

When the latest Washington advices reached the fleet the enthusiasm was very great. The officers maintained their usual silence, but were clearly gratified, while the men made no effort to conceal their satisfaction. As regarded here the situation is now beyond the influence of diplomacy, and confirmation is given to this by the fact that the local Spanish consul yes- the shipping trade between Baltimore terday turned his affairs over to Mr Taylor, the British consul, and that the Spanish vice consul, who also represents Italy, has transferred those special interests to Mr. Taylor.

WARINEWS OF THE WEEK.

Spaniards Jeered at Americans as They Left Havana Harbor.

Washington, April 12.-The events of the past week in Washington have kept the general public guessing. While and proceeded. there were endless war rumors, it was known that the president would oppose hostilities as far as consistent with national honor, and the members of his party in congress have felt averse to opposing his policy. While the war preparations in both army and navy have continued uninterruptedly the news given out here has led to the belief that war might yet be averted. A feeling of disgust spread over the country last Wednesday when it became known that the long expected Cuban message would not be trans mitted to congress, although it had been promised on that day. The reason given was that Consul General Lee had counseled delay, fearing that there might be an uprising against Americans in Havana. The reports for the day were extremely peaceful. Thursday war clouds again appeared, it being announced that Consul General Lee had been ordered to leave Havana, and on that day the exodus of Americans from the Cuban capital was begun. Friday's dispatches from Madrid reiterated Spain's determination to allow no foreign intervention. Another peaceful change came on Saturday, when it was announced from Madrid that an armistice had been ordered in Cuba, and yesterday this armistice went into effect. But as the insurgents have not consented to the armistice, and still demand Cuban independence, it is not likely that the armistice will last. On Sunday the steamers from Havana Sunday the steamers from Havana landed the American refugees, including Consul General Lee, at Key West, and these refugees told of the jeers large bales. Beef firm; beef hams, \$22.500 and insults that had been flung at them by Spaniards as they were sailing out of the harbor. "Get out, Yankee swine," was among the mildest expressions used. Vice Consul Springer waved his hand to a particularly abusive group and shouted: "Wait, wait, my friends; we will be back When the sailors at Key West heard the expressions they felt certain that they would be called upon to bombard Havana this week, and the prospect of war made them extremely

When the president's message was presented to congress last Monday there were vigorous objections raised by Democratic members, who declared that they would vigorously oppose placing absolute power in the hands of the president, as suggested in that document. Even Republicans declared that they would demand immediate action. The great event of the day was the enthusiastic ovations tendered Consul General Lee on his trip from Tampa to Washington. A dispatch from Mad-rid declared that Admiral Beranger, exminister of marine for Spain, declared that he and the then premier, Castillo, ordered mines to be placed in Havana city turned out in thousands, when a and other Cuban harbors. The disserenade was given General Lee at his patch has not been confirmed.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED.

Thursday, April 7. Lizzie Moser, of Browntown, Pa., was

terribly mangled by a train. People living near Mount St. Helena fear an eruption at any moment.

The people of Chicago will present a silver service to the battleship Illinois, now building at Newport News. More than half of the \$50,000,000

emergency appropriation has already been spent in ships, guns and ammuni-Archibald H. Welch, second vice

president of the New York Life Insurance company, died yesterday at his summer residence at Norristown, N. J., aged 69.

Friday, April 8.

The natives of the Island of Lugon are in open rebellion against Spain's imposition of taxes.

Margaret Mather, the actress, died suddenly at Charleston, W. Va., of convulsions induced by Bright's disease.

A woman's pool room was raided in Chicago, and 20 women, two with babes in their arms, were arrested for gambling on the races.

A freight train ran into the Pennsylvania limited at Fernwood, O., and one man is reported to have been killed. Several passengers were hurt.

Mauna Loa, the Hawaiian volcano, is again threatening eruption. Heavy earthquake shoks and rain are conof lava.

Saturday, April 9. Daniel Williams, janitor of a club at

Verona, N. J., became suddenly crazed over the war scare.

William F. Harrity is to be ousted from the Democratic national committee. Colonel James Guffy succeeds him.

The Anglo-Egyptian expedition attacked the dervishes and inflicted big losses. Four thousand dervishes were taken prisoners. Governor Brady, of Alaska, is on his

way to Washington, where he will ask the president to recommend changes in the mining and cannery laws. Captain J. E. Bernier, of Quebec, is endeavoring to induce the Dominion

government to give him financial aid for his proposed trip to the North Pole. In a prize fight at Columbus, O., George Stout, of Philadelphia, was

killed by a blow on the jaw delivered by his opponent, Oscar Gardner, the "Omaha Kid." Gardner was arrested. Monday, April 11.

Dr. John Bucher, of Shamokin, Pa. has been commissioned a surgeon in the United States navy. The treasury department has notified

bankers throuhout the country that pennies are being counterfeited. James Boyle, United States consul at Liverpool, may succeed J. Addison

Porter as the president's private secre-A taut clothesline broke the fall of Mrs. Mary Stein, who fainted and fell from a third story window in New York,

and she may live. Apoplexy, caused by a lively spin on his bicycle soon after dinner, killed Cashier John E. Dillon, of the National Exchange bank, New York city.

Tuesday, April 12. The threatened war has paralyzed

and the A formidable conspiracy has been unearthed in China's imperial palace, and high officials may be executed.

A supreme court decision gives to the New York Indians over \$1,250,000 for land taken by the government in Kan-

Our new warship New Orleans, formerly the Brazilian ship Amazonas, arrived at Halifax, N. S., took on coal

The gambling houses at Dawson, in the Klondike, are doing a flourishing business, and fortunes are lost and won hourly at the faro tables.

Wednesday, April 13. Cardinal Taschereau died last night at Quebec, Canada.

Two men were killed and another fatally injured by the collapse of a scaffolding at Benwood, W. Va.

City, Kan., and an unknown man fought a duel, both being killed. Assurances are given that the whalers icebound in the Arctics will survive un-

Jack Murphy, a farmer, of Mineral

til released by the opening of the sea. James Holden, aged 87 years, of Jersey City, died from injuries alleged to have been inflicted by John Holliday.

aged 28 years. At Chicago Miss Lillian Higgins attired herself in a wedding gown prepared for her ten years ago and then committed suicide to join the man she had loved.

THE PRODUCE MARKETS

As Reflected by Dealings in Philadelphia and Baltimore.

Philadelphia, April 12.-Flour firm; winter superfine, \$363.25; Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$4.10@4.25; city mills, extra, \$3.10@ 2.65. Rye flour dull; choice Pennsylvania, \$2.90 per barrel. Wheat firm; No. 2 red, spot, 99%c.@11; No. 2 Pennsylvania and No. 2 Delaware red, \$1.00%@1.01. Corn quiet and steady; No. 2 mixed, April, 24% large bales. Beef firm; beef hams, \$22.50g 23. Pork quiet; family, \$12@12.50. Lard easy; western steamed, \$5.45. Butter weak; creamery, 17@21c.; do. factory, 12% @15c.; Elgins, 21c.; imitation creamery, 14%@17½c.; New York dairy, 15@19c.; do. creamery, 17@21c.; fancy Pennsylvania prints jobbing at 24@27c.; do. wholesale, Prints Johnson at 2022., do. white and col-ered, September. 71/407%c.; small do. do., 808%c.; part skims, 406c.; full skims, 20 2c. Eggs steady; New York and Penn-sylvania, 10/210%c.; western, fresh, 10%c.; southern, 91/409%c.

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2 15 p m; at Altoona 2 55 p m; at Pittsburg
7 60 p m.

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2 15 p m; at Harrisburg 7 00 p m; at Philadelphia 11 15 p m.
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6 00; at Harrisburg a: 0 20 p m; at Philadelphia 4 39 a m.

delphia 4 30 a m. VIA LOCK HAVEN-NORTHWARD.

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arrive at Harrisburg, 3.29 p. m., at Philadel phia at 6.23 p. m. Leave Bellefonte, 1.42 p. m., arrive at Lock Ha-ven, 2.43 p. m., Williamsport, 3.50 p.m., Har-risburg, 7.10 p. m. Leave Bellefonte, 8.31 p. m., arrive at Lock Ha-ven, 9.30 p. m., leave Williamsport, 12.30 a, m., arrive Harrisburg, 3.22 a. m., arrive at Philadelphia at 6.52 a. m.

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Leave Bellefonte, 2.15 p. m., arrive at Lewisburg, 4.47, at Harrisburg, 7.10 p. m., Philadelphia at 11.15 p. m.

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