Secretary Tracy, Unable to Secure the Best Armor Elsewhere, Makes a

CONTRACT WITH CARNEGIE.

6,000 Tons of the New Nickel-Steel Plate to be Made Next Year.

PRESENT STATUS OF THE NAVY.

Double the Usual Appropriation Asked for Its Extension.

THE DEMAND FOR A PERFECT TORPEDO

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30,-The report of Secretary Tracy, of the Navy Department, to be presented to Congress to-morrow, is of direct and important interest to Pittsburg. Upon the subject of armor the Secretary

The department during the past year has experienced great disappointment in reference to the armor contract of the Bethlehem Iron Company. This contract, which was justly considered the crowning triumph of my predeces-sor, was signed on June 1, 1887, and called for the completion of a plant for the manufacture of armor two and one-half years from the date of the contract—that is, on December 1, 1889. It further provided for the delivery of 300 tons within two months from and after the expiration of the contract time for the completion of an edequate plant, delivery to be continued thereafter at the rate of 300 tons per month, and to be fully completed within two years from the date of such delivery. On the date fixed by the contract the work of constructing

fixed by the contract the work of constructing the blant was far from completion. The department has endeavored during the past year, by every means at its command, including remoustrance, solicitation and urgent request, to hasten the performance of the work. Repeated assurances have been given by the company, fixing various prospective dates, only to be followed by new disappointments. When it is considered that this contract includes the side and furret armor for all the monitors and for the Maine and Texas, the serious consequences of the delay are manifest. In January, 1830, the company stated that they would be ready to begin manufacture within six months, and would be able to deliver from 1,500 to 2,000 tons this year; but this prospect ended, The department has endeavored during the past year, by every means at its command, including remonstrance, solicitation and urgent request, to hasten the performance of the work. Repeated assurances have been given by the company, fixing various prospective dates, only to be followed by new disappointments. When it is considered that this contract includes the side and turret armor for all the monitors and for the Maine and Texas, the serious consequences of the delay are manifest. In January, 1890, the company stated that they would be ready to begin manufacture within six months, and would be able to deliver from 1,500 to 2,000 tons this year; but this prospect ended, like previous ones, in disappointment. In July the company saint:

THE COMPANY'S APOLOGY.

"While the estimate, as stated in our letter of January 25, 1890, as to the time of beginning manufacture, was at fault, we are still expecting to commence within the next two months the manufacture of certain armor, for which we have received drawings, and which we understand is now urgently needed, namely: The bulk-head planes of the Maine, the coming a travers and the Tompers and the Maine, the coming a travers of the Maine, the coming and the Tompers a

communications of the Texas. As to the amount of plates that we hoped to deliver at the time of your interview. * * we expected to be able to produce a considerable amount of to seame to produce a considerance amount of thick plates with our present appliances, and added to this, if the protective deex plating covered by Exhibit U of our specifications were now needed by the denatiment, we could ar-range to have a considerable portion of it rolled elsewhere and brought to our works for shaping, tempering and fitting, and thus also in good part fulful our statement as to the amount we could deliver during the present veri.

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"We are fully aware, however, that the deliveries above referred to are of the nature of temporary expedients, and that the end so extractly desired by all parties concerned, and of paramount importance, viz., the completion of our hammer plant and the regular deliveries of the hammered and tempered plates for side armor, has been and will be delayed beyond our expectations.

"As is always the case in undertakings of such magnitude, the causes of delay have been numerous, and while no unforeseen contingencies' have arisen of such a pronounced nature as to lead us at the time to formally draw the attention of the department thereto, there have been several causes of serious delay which were

The date now fixed for the entire comple-tion of the plant is July-September, 1881, nearly two years after the contract time. At the present time it seems probable that deliveries may be made for acceptance test as early as August, 1891, but under favorable circum-stances the completed armor could hardly be ready before October 1, if then. This date may, therefore, he fixed as the earliest at which deliseveries are likely to begin, and the completion of the Maine, the Texas, and the monitors is likely to be delayed accordingly. In the case of the Maine, a slight change has already been necessary in the design, to permit The date now fixed for the entire comple stready been necessary in the design, to permit the work to go on, notwithstanding the non-

As early as July last it became evident that the first 300 tons of armor required by the Bethleleem contract would not be delivered prior to October 1, 1891, and that even after that date deliveries would be so slow as to post-pone for many years the completion of the ships then authorized, if Bethlenem remained the sole reliance. To complete deliveries under ships then authorized, it letthenem remained the sole reliance. To complete deliveries under the original contract at the prescribed rate requires two years; and though it is hoped that the company may be able to exceed this rate when fairly started, yet the fact is noted by the department that 300 tons a month is the output of the largest manufactories of armor in England. At this rate the armor for ships now under construction, but not covered by the Bethichem contract, amounting to about 14,000 tons, could not be fully delivered by this firm alone to less than six years from the present time, and the completion of ships would be delayed accordingly. It therefore, became imperative for the Government to obtain the cooperation of another manufacturer and secure, operation of another manufacturer and secure, as in the case of the gun forgings, the creation of a second plant for the manufacture of armor in the United States.

CARNEGIE TO MAKE IT. Accordingly negotiations were opened with Messrs, Carnegie, Phipps & Co., the largest steel manufacturers in the United States, if not in the world, with a view to the establish ment of another plant, and an agreement has seen concluded with this firm for the manufacture of 6,000 tons of armor, at the same price as in the contract of 1887 with Betnlehem, to be of all steel or nickel steel, at the option of the department. The contract binds the firm to begin the delivery of armor in June next, and begin the delivery of armor in June next, and to deliver 500 tous per month thereafter. If both companies deliver at the maximum rate called for by the contracts it will require over two years from July, 1891, to complete the manufacture of the armor required for the ships now authorized, and some of them will be ready for it in advance of the time.

In July, 1890, the attention of the department was attracted by an address delivered by Prof. James Riley, of Glasgow, on nickel steel, before the Iron and Steel Institute, May 8, 1889. From an examination of the extraordinary results

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876 30 less than the appropriations for the current year. On the other hand, the estimates for increase of the navy show an enlargement far beyond that which has taken place in any prior year. The estimates for this purpose for the year ending June 30, 1891, were \$3.365,500; the estimates for the current year are \$18,471, 229, nearly double that amount. By far the largest part of this increase is for payments upon outstanding contracts.

The appropriations under this head for the current year fell short of the amount estimated therefor by \$1.266,500. The appropriations as well as the estimates were doubtless based on the supposition that at the ordinary rate of progress in naval construction the reduced amount would be sufficient, and that the ships newly authorized would require nothing during the current year. As a result, the appropriation will undoubtedly fall short by about \$1,600,000 of the amounts required to continue on and Steel Institute, May 8, 1889. From camination of the extraordinary results and and reported by Prof. Riley, the insent became convinced of the important ag of his discoveries on the question of manufacture of armor, a point that red some attention in the article, and the mpanying discussion. Further investigative long the fact that experiments had accompanying discussion. Further investiga-tion developed the fact that experiments had already been made in England, with plates of nickel-steel from four to five inches in thick-ness, and others in France with somewhat thicker plates. The latter experiments had been undertaken by Messrs, Schneider, the great manufacturers of all-steel armor for the French Government, but no complete and Government, but no complete and we test was known to have been made. The United States Government was therefore, the first in the field. Although requiring 20,000 tens of armor for its new fleet, not a bound of this armor had get been manufactured, and it was therefore in a position to apply the re-sults of the discovery to the armor of its entir-rew navy, including four of the five meniors Negotiations were immediately opened by the department with the Messrs. Schneider, which resulted in a contract for the supply of a plate of nickel-steel 6 feet by 8 in size and 10½ inches in thickness, for purposes of experiment.

INSTRUCTIVE TESTS.

The agents of the firms interested deprecated the use of the eight-inch gun on the ground that it would destroy all the plates, and afford no tests for comparison. As, however, the department was now the owner of the plates, and as its object was a thorough trial which should se at rest all doubts, it was in a position to use its own tests, whatever might be the consequences to the reputation of the different kinds of armor. It was, therefore, decided to fire, first, the six-inch gun at the corners of the plates, and subsequently to try the eight-inch gun on the center. The trials took place at the proving-ground at Annapolis September 18-22 and were on the highest degree instructive. The six-inch gan proved to be superior to the English compound plate, which was completely perforated and practically shattered by four shots. In the case of the other two plates, the resistance of the armor was superior to the performance of

purposes:
(a) Construction plate similar to that used in ship building.

(b) Boiler plate.

(c) Construction plate which shall be used in

a comparative test with the ordinary steel plate, as to its non-fouling qualities, when used as bottom plates of steel vessels.

(d) Metal for projectiles.

STEEL INSPECTION. In view of the delays that have been experi-enced by the department and by ship builders engaged upon contract work, in obtaining materials, the department invited the representatives of the principal ship-building firms on the one hand, and of steel-casting companies, rolling mills and manufacturers of steel

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were at that time in various stages of progress, the first two being practically out of the constructor's hands, have been completed and put

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January, 1891.
Notwithstanding these expectations, the ne-

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fort to meet, in some other way, the necessities of the situation. Negotiations have therefore been undertaken with the Whitehead Torpedo

Of torpedoes other than auto-mobile, one, of

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a later hour.

This country has been thus far absolutely without a successful auto-mobile torpedo. This fact has been referred to more or less from in the 18th year of her age, at the residence of her son-in-law, Charles Somers, Reed street, near Breckenridge avenue, city. time to time, in reports and papers, for several years past, but it does not seem to have received the attention which its gravity de-

manded. Vague hopes and expectations that something would turn up gradually fixed them-selves upon the Howell torpedo as the probable solution of the problem, although it was still in an experimental state. Finally, on January

> Funeral services will be held at the residence of her mother, Mrs. Margaret Torrance, corner Allen avenue and Excelsior street, Thirty-first ward, on MONDAY EVENING at 8 o'clock. Interment private on TUESDAY at 2 P. M.

Ordinance Company, the manufacturers of this weapon, for 30 torpedoes, of which ten were to be delivered by June I, 1890, and all by September 1 of the same year. This contract has not yet been filled, owing to the loss of two torpedoes at preliminary trials and the failure of the company thus far to produce a weapon that fulfills the requirements of the contract. An extension of the contract time has been granted, and the manufacturers hold out expectations that they will be ready for another trial and for making deliveries by the 1st of January, 1891. A. M., city time. A special train will return to cessity of possessing a practical torpede was so great and the question whether the Hotchkiss Ordnance Company would be able to produce one answering the requirements of the contract so doubtful, that the department would have to attend.

Funeral from the residence of the parents, Orchard street, West Bellevue, on TUESDAY been undertaken with the Whitehead Torpedo Company with a view to domesticating the manufacture of their torpedo, the most successful yet produced in the world. Favorable terms have been made and an order will shortly be placed with an American firm for a number of Whitehead torpedoes. If the Hotchkiss company shall finally succeed in producing a torpedo to answer the necessary conditions, the two designs will be subjected to competitive tests, with a view to ascertaining the expediency of definitely adopting one or both of them for service use. In the meantime the bureau is continuing its investigations with other designs. MOBNING, December 2, at 10 o'clock. Friends are respectfully invited to attend. McMILLIN-On Sunday, November 30, EMILY, daughter of J. S. and Mary B. McMil-

Services at family residence, Grandview ave nue, Mt. Washington, on TUESDAY at 2 P. M. Interment private.

Funeral from the residence of his brother-in

Of torpeages other than auto-mobile, one, of the Patrick design, a torpedo electrically di-rected from the shore, has undergone a suc-cessful test. Two others remain to be supplied to complete the three ordered February 25, 1889. It is proposed to use these torpedoes for pur-poses of instruction in connection with the Naval War College. The general estimates for the support of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

> township, Evergreen road, on TUESDAY, December 2, at 2 P. M. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. SEIBERT-On Saturday, November 29, at 12:30 P. M., BERTHA, wife of John Seibert, of Etna borough, aged 46 years. Funeral on MONDAY, December 1, at 2 P. M.

> Funeral from her late residence MONDAY at 9 A. M., to proceed to St. Patrick's Church. Friends of the family are respectfully invited

> WARD-On Friday, November 28, 1890, at 9:45 P. M., GROEGE HARDING WARD, in the 75th year of his age. Funeral from the residence of his daughter Mrs. Frank J. Kirk, No. 31 Fourth street, on MONDAY, December 1, at 8:30 A. M. Services at St. Paul's Cathedral at 9 A. M. Interment

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COLLINS-At South Oil City, Sunday, November 30, at 6 o'clock A. M., KITTY S., daughter of James and Annie E. Collins.

Notice of funeral in Tuesday papers. DENNISTON—At the residence of Mrs. Dar-lington, in O'Hara township, on Sunday, No-vember 30, at 3 o'clock P. M., ELIZABETH C., DENNISTON, niece of the late William M. Dar-lington, aged 47 years. Notice of funeral hereafter.

DIKE-At Howard, Pa., Sunday, Novembe 30, 1890, at 50'clock P. M., WILLIAM L. DIKE.

M. Friends of the family are respectfully in-

vited to attend. FOLEY—On Saturday, November 29, 1890, at 4 o'clock P. M., HANNAH MERCEDES FOLEY, in the 22d year of her age.
Funeral from the residence of her parents, West Carson street, Thirty-fourth ward, on Monday, at 9 o'clock. Mass at St. James' Church. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

GASS—On Sunday. November 30, 1890, at 12 o'clock, noon, KATLE R., wife of Charles J. Gass, in her 30th year.

Funeral services at the residence, West View avenue, Eleventh ward, Allegheny, THIS together with every article for doing fancy 970 June 7, 1880 Funeral services at the residence, we say 14, 300 July 28, 1890 avenue, Eleventh ward, Allegheny, THIS MORNING at 10 o'clock, Interment private at

HHLL—At his late residence, 21 Center avenue, on Friday, November 28, 1890, at 10 P. M., THOMAS HILL, aged 78 years.
Funeral services on TUESDAY at 2 P. M. Interment private at a later hour. JONES-At Richmond, Indiana, on Saturday, November 29, 1890, ANNIE M. JONES, formerly of Allegheny City, Pa. MARKS-On Sunday, November 30, 1890, at 3:50 P. M., Mrs. SARAH A. MARKS, of Beaver,

Remains will be taken to Beaver on 11 A. M. train on P. & L. E. R. R. on TUESDAY, Decemon arrival of train. Interment in Beaver Cem-

MARTIN-On Sunday, November 30, at 6:05 A. M., KATE MOORE TORRANCE, wife of Thomas Martin.

MURRAY—Friday, November 28, 1890, James G. MURBAY, Esq., at his residence, at Bridge-ville, Pa., in the 70th year of his age. Funeral services at 11 o'clock A. M. MONDAY, December 1. Train leaves Union station at 9:35 the city, leaving Bridgeville at 12:45 P. M. Friends of the family are respectfully invited

McCLELLAND-On Sabbath merning, No-vember 30, 1890, MARIE DOROTHEA, daughter of James and Lizzie McClelland,

PETERSON-Suddenly, on Sunday, November 30, 1890, CHARLES C. PETERSON, in his 38th

law, Charles W. Rhom, 107 Clark street, Tues-DAY at 2 P. M. Interment private, SCOTT—On Saturday, November 29, 1890, at 3:10 P. M., CATHERINE, daughter of John A. and Annie Scott, aged 2 years and 6 months. Funeral will take place from the residence of her parents, Fifty-third street, Eighteenth ward on MONDAY at 3 P. M. Friends of the

SCHAUDLE-On Sunday, November 30, 1890, at 10:40 A. M., CHARLES H. SCHAUDLE, aged 22 years. Funeral from his parent's residence, Ross

SULLIVAN—At the residence of her pareuts, rear of 2000 Penn avenue, at 2:35 F. M., Katir, daughter of John and Delia Sullivan, aged 25 years and 9 months.

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