

TRAINS TO PITTSBURGH

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 Pittsburgh.

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 predecessor, was signed on June 1, 1887, and called for the completion of a plant for the manufacture of armor to two million tons in the course 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...

THE COMPANY'S APOLOGY. "While the estimate, as stated in our letter of January 25, 1890, as to the time of beginning manufacture, was not faulted, we are still expecting to commence within the next two months the manufacture of armor for the torpedo, for which we have received drawings, and which we understand is now urgently needed, namely: The nickel-steel armor for the torpedo, the conning tower of the Torpedo, and the conning tower of the submarine.

NEED OF A TORPEDO. This country has been thus far absolutely without an efficient and complete torpedo. This fact has been referred to more or less from time to time, in reports and papers, for several years past, but it does not seem to have received the attention which its gravity demanded. Vague hopes and expectations that something would turn up gradually kept themselves alive for a long time, but the necessity of a solution of the problem, although it was still in an experimental state, finally, on January 5, 1889, a contract was made with the Hotchkiss Ordnance Company...

ESTIMATES AND APPROPRIATIONS. The general estimates for the support of the navy, including public works, and of the marine corps, have been cut down to the lowest possible point, and show a total of \$1,322,000,000 less than the estimates of last year and \$155,876,500 less than the appropriations for the current year. On the other hand, the estimates for the support of the navy show an enlargement for beyond that which has taken place in any prior year.

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the gun, and to complete the test it became necessary to use a higher caliber. The six-inch gun was accordingly fired at all the plates, and the results were as follows: The steel plate was broken into four separate pieces, and the nickel plate, though slightly more penetrable, remained absolutely uncracked. The aperture in it was plugged by the projectile, and for all practical purposes of protecting a ship it was as perfect as the close of the trial as if no shot had been fired.

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DECEASED. DENNISON—At the residence of Mrs. Darlington in O'Hara township, on Sunday, November 30, at 10 o'clock P. M. ELIZABETH C. DENNISON, wife of William M. Darlington, aged 67 years.

DECEASED. DIKE—At Howard Pa., Sunday, November 30, 1890, at 10 o'clock P. M. LILLIAN L. DIKE, daughter of George and Mary L. Dike.

DECEASED. DONNELLY—At 845 Locust on Sunday morning, November 29, at 10 o'clock, A. M. CHARLES DONNELLY, son of Mrs. Sarah Donnelly, widow of the late Charles Donnelly, aged 34 years.

DECEASED. FOLEY—On Saturday, November 29, 1890, at 10 o'clock, KATE A. FOLEY, wife of the late J. W. Duggan.

DECEASED. GASS—On Sunday, November 30, 1890, at 12 o'clock, P. M. R. WIFE of Charles J. Gass, in her 30th year.

DECEASED. HILL—At his late residence, 21 Center avenue, on Friday, November 29, 1890, at 10 P. M. THOMAS HILL, aged 78 years.

DECEASED. MURRAY—On Saturday, November 30, 1890, at 10 o'clock, A. M. MARY MURRAY, daughter of J. S. and Mary E. McMillin.

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