

BUSY DAY FOR MR. M'KINLEY

The President in Conference with Members of the Cabinet.

MR. FLINT ON HAND

Reported Purchase of the Chillan Warship O'Higgins.

Mr. Flint Gives Assurance of the Friendship of Both Chile and the Argentine Republic--The Prospective Conference.

Washington, March 20.—President McKinley did not attend church this morning as his custom, but instead, spent two hours and more in conference with several members of the cabinet.

RODGERS SAILS FOR NORFOLK.

The Torpedo Boat Repairs Finished and She Starts for Service Work.

ARTILLERYMEN FROM INFANTRY.

Trained Soldiers from Other Branches to Form the New Regiment.

NEWMAN'S DECLARATIONS.

A Seaman's Version of the Maine Disaster.

FLORIDA COAST DEFENSE.

Penacola, Fla., March 20.—Powder, shot and shell continue to arrive here in large quantities for the forts and batteries defending the harbor.

COOPS LEAVE FOR ETHAN ALLEN.

Washington, Va., March 20.—Orders received at Fort Ethan Allen yesterday from Washington and preparations for moving were begun.

TWO THOUSAND MEN BUSY.

Bethlehem, Pa., March 20.—The Bethlehem Iron company's ordinance works were so busy today for the first Sunday in the company's history.

RELIEF FOR CUBANS.

A Fund of \$9,033 and Twenty-one Car Loads of Provisions.

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FRIENDSHIP OF ENGLAND SINCERE

Reasons for Apparent Non-Interest in the Spanish Affair.

AMERICA DOES NOT NEED HELP

The Trend of British Thought is Toward Surprise That the Greatest of Republics Should Excite Itself

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MEN WANTED FOR THE NAVY.

Navy Department Calls for Enlistments of Seamen and Machinists.

MR. QUAY'S SCOOP AT LANCASTER

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THE NEWS THIS MORNING

- Weather indications today: Fair; Slightly Colder. 1 General—Programme for Congress This Week. 2 President McKinley's Busy Sunday. 3 Tribune's Popular Want Columns. 4 Local—West Side and Suburban. 5 Immense Harvest of Pocono Ice. 6 Editorial. 7 Free Silvers Hope Goes Glimmering. 8 Facts and Fakes Concerning Klondike. 9 Local—Interesting Mission Services. 10 City Hall Gossip. 11 Local—United States Court Will Sit in This City Beginning Tomorrow. 12 Fortunes in New Mexico Coal. 13 Local—West Side and Suburban. 14 Lackawanna County News. 15 General—Canada Is Taxing All United States for the Klondike. 16 Quiet Day in Havana.

COWARDLY MURDER.

A Negro and His White Wife are Shot Down in Cold Blood by Midnight Assassins.

FIGHT AT WAYNESBORO.

Waynesboro, Pa., March 20.—The factional fight which has been waged among the Republicans for several months for the election of delegates to the nominating convention reached a climax last night when the ward primaries were held.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Bishop Andrews Presides at the Sessions at Danville.

MR. QUAY ENDORSED.

Unanimous Choice of the Blair Republicans for Senator.

FROSTS IN CALIFORNIA.

Much Damage Done to the Early Fruit Crop.

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EVENTFUL SESSIONS

Programme for the Week in Senate and House.

SENSATIONS MAY DEVELOP

Preparations to Strengthen the Country's Defenses.

LIBERAL PROVISION WILL BE MADE FOR BATTLESHIPS, TORPEDO BOATS AND DRY DOCKS--THE REPORT OF THE MAINE BOARD OF INQUIRY MAY AT ANY TIME DEMAND CONGRESSIONAL ACTION, AND EVERYTHING ELSE WILL GIVE WAY TO IT.

Washington, March 20.—No programme has been prepared for the senate for the present week, and the course of events is liable to be influenced largely by developments from the outside.

The quarantine bill is the unfinished business on the senate calendar, and if opportunity offers, Senator Pettigrew will get up his public land bill. It is expected that the sundry civil appropriation bill will be reported Wednesday or Thursday and if it should it may be taken up later in the week.

The senate committee is making many changes in this bill, and it will consume several days of the time of the senate when considered. It is also understood to be Senator Davis' intention to bring up the Hawaiian treaty in order to get a vote on the Bacon amendment. It is still Mr. Davis' intention to move to lay the amendment on the table as soon as Senator Pettigrew concludes his speech in its support.

All these plans are liable to be changed if the report of the court of inquiry into the Maine disaster should be received. The receipt of this document would inevitably have the effect of springing a Cuban debate which would sidetrack all other questions.

IN THE HOUSE.

Whether the report of the naval board of inquiry on the Maine disaster goes to congress this week with a special message from the president calling for congressional action, our relations with Spain and the proximity of a war, as viewed from the standpoint of the preparations now going on to place the country in a state of defense, probably will be exhaustively discussed in the course of the session with the naval appropriation bill, the consideration of which will begin on Tuesday. The many emergency items in the bill, the large increase in the enlisted force, the liberal provision for battleships, torpedo boats and dry docks, will bring the whole subject of the necessity for the preparations directly before the house. While the conservative leaders doubtless will seek to prevent inflammatory expressions under the recent ruling of the speaker which practically places no limit upon the latitude of debate in committee of the whole, in the committee of the union, the leaders, except by their example, probably will be unable to repress sensational speeches. An effort is likely upon the part of some of the idealists to force from those in the confidence of the administration a declaration of the administration regarding Cuba. This they hope to do by taunting them with some of the rumors which have been floating about in the newspapers during the past few days. It is altogether likely that there will be a general expression of the sentiment of the house on this question before the bill is passed.

THE MAINE QUESTION.

Should the president transmit the report of the board of inquiry with a request for congressional action during the week everything else will give way to it. Any action which might be decided upon would be in the complete control of the Republican leaders as to the limit to be put upon debate. If the report of the board does not go to congress this week the naval bill will probably consume all the time after tomorrow. But if it should be passed before Friday, which seems unlikely, the bill for the reorganization of the army and the authorization for recruiting it to a footing aggregating 104,000 men in time of war will be taken up.

Tomorrow the bill for the relief of the victims of the Maine will be called up immediately after the reading of the journal under the arrangement made last week. It is not expected to consume much time, but probably will be made the occasion for several patriotic speeches in eulogy of the heroism of the sailors who went down to their tragic death. The rest of the day will be occupied in the consideration of private bills in pursuance of the order made last Friday. Altogether it promises to be an exceedingly eventful, if not sensational week in the house.

STABBED HIS BROTHER.

Philadelphia, March 20.—Theodore H. Davis, aged 27 years, was probably fatally stabbed tonight by his brother, Simon, to the home of their brother-in-law, William Dougherty, 1105 South Broad street, with the intention of assaulting him. Theodore, however, retained and Simon became enraged and turned upon him.

THE HERALD'S WEATHER FORECAST.

New York, March 20.—In the middle states and New England, today, partly cloudy, fair and fresh from the west to southwesterly winds with slightly lower, followed by rising temperature. On Tuesday, in both of these sections, fair to partly cloudy, rising temperature, fresh southwesterly to southerly winds.