

dmiral should he be relieved.

FORT JEFFERSON.

The Important Military Post on Dry

Tortugas Will Be Garrisoned.

Militin to Be Called on First.

Washington, March 23 .- Secretary Al-

rer's office at the war department pre-

sented an unusual busy aspect today.

Much of the secretary's time was occu-

pled in conference with the various

bureau chiefs of the department in con-

nection with preparations to improve

the fortifications on the sea coast. In

addition there were a number of mem-

bers of congress who called to have a

Report Will Probably Prove a Turning Point.

Evidence That the President Will Receive the Unanimous Support of and Jennings, New York, \$795,000, Other blds were made for the machinery, Congressmen of Every Political tracks, coal cars, etc., ranging from Creed in His Humane Effort to Put \$150,000 down. The award will be made a Stop to Cruelties in Cuba .- Fort- | within the next day or two. ifications and Coast Defenses at Koy West.

Washington, March 23 .- The feeling was universal throughout official circles today that the culmination of the Spanish crisis was near at hand. With the report of the Maine court of inquiry only a little while off, with the White house, the center of long and earnest conferences between the president and the party leaders of congress, and with exceptional activity towards emergency preparations in the war and navy departments, there was abundance of evidence that definite results regarding the Maine disaster and the Cuban question in general were about to be reached. Among the president's callers were Senators Cockrell, Turpie and Foraker, General Dan Sickles, former United States minister to Madrid, and Representative William Alden Smith, of Michigan, who has recently returned from a trip to Cuba. The call of Messrs. Cockrell and Turple was regarded as particularly significant as they are representative Democrats in the senate and their visit followed that of Senator Gorman yesterday. It was generally understood that in the present emergency the president desires patriotic without reference to party. Secretaries Long and Alger also conferred with the president during the Secretary Long said later, that the Maine report probably would reach ashington tomorrow night. If, howfer, it did not come before 8 o'clock Thursday evening, Mr. Long said he probably would not receive it until Friday morning when it would be laid before the president immediately.

secretary did not think the i

Brooklyn, \$507,000; S. S. Leonard com-pany, Jacksonville, \$274,700; Union Bridge company, New York, \$350,000; Sanford & Brooks, Baltimore, \$639,000; New York Dredging company, \$414,000; R. G. Packard, New York, \$669,000. The bidders on the Key West were the Phoenix Bridge company, \$280,000; Michael J. Dady, \$297,000; S. S. Leonard company, \$188,000; Union Bridge company, \$240,000; Sanford & Brooks, \$445,-S. P. White, \$273,000; R. G._Packard, \$542,000. R. K. Packard, \$1,151.000, and Grgttan policy.

LA LUCHA'S REGRETS. Hayana Organ Believes That More

Time Should Have Been Consumed by the Inquiry.

Havana, March 23 .- Miss Clara Baron, president of the American branch of the Red Cross society, left for New York today on the Key West mail steamer. It was not known until this morning that she intended to do so. Miss Barton says the cause of her departure is purely personal and has to lo with private financial matters. She hopes to return here. Dr. Lesser and Mrs. Lesser will defer their departure until Saturday, but Dr. Egan left by the mail steamer.

La Lucha, in an editorial under the caption of "Expectation in the World," maintains that the American court of inquiry, owing to the short time it was here, could not give a scientific report on the Maine disaster. "American naval officers," says La

Lucha, "are not likely to decide against brother officers. The divers could not give expert testimony, owing to the fact that the machinery was imbedded four feet in the mud. It is greatly to be regretted that more time and care were not given to the preparation of a report for which the whole world waits and which is likely to change the entire feelings of a part of the American peo-

ple toward Spain and Cuba." La Lucha publishes also an interview with Consul General Lee, which quotes him as saying that he knows nothing

of the nature of the report, but is satisfied that General Blanco never conceived the disaster until he heard the shock in the harbor. er Morgan left for the fleet at Key West today. With him went the naval divers, Fishers, Rundquest and Schluter, and Hanz, the helper. Hanz helongs to the Fern, and has been ill This leaves two navy divers and five vivilians on the contract work. The body of a white man was found in the front part of the wreck today. It will probably be identified by marks on the clothing when the latter has been disinfected. The body was sent to Key West on the Olivette. Four Red Cross society nurses are expected to arrive by the Ward line steamer today.

Washington, March 23 .- "The independence of Cuba can be obtained with-

nation of Admiral Sicard was based out war, if President McKinley is left alone and is not forced by the extreme ntirely upon the request of that officer. Cuban sympathizers," said Senator Elkins today, who at the same time ansounced that he was doing what he could to prevent hasty action in the senate and urging senators to give the president time to carry out his own Mr. Elkins said that in his opinion the destitute should be cared for and that peaceful means would tain his present command." bring about the freedom of Cuba. It is known that a great deal of work has friends, however, that he has been a been done about the senate today by very sick man for several weeks and that he is hardly able to continue the

cenators who are known as conservatives. Requests have been made that the senate await the action of the president and that no further attempts be made to intensify the strained situation. It was asserted by Senator Elkins that a great deal of progress had been made and that on both sides of the

chamber a great deal more conservatism had been found than was supposed to have existed. The prevailing impression among the

Republican leaders of the house is that the president will intervene in Cuba on humane grounds, but it is positively stated by one of them, who is close to the president, that the intervention will not come until after the report of the board of inquiry on the Maine disaster goes to congress,

"The two questions will be treated separately." said he today, "and the message relative to Cuba will be sent to congress soon after the report on the Maine question." The Cuban message as forecasted by a prominent Republican will waive the question of the Maine disaster and

putting aside that awful occurrence will be in effect a declaration to Spain that the present methods of warfare. in Cuba must cease. It will result in intervention in case Spain demurs. The message will be accompanied by the reports from consuls in Cuba. INTERVENTION ON HUMANE

GROUNDS. Mr. Dolliver (Rep., Pa.) says that

ntervention on humane grounds will place our action upon a moral level that would command the broad sympa-thy of the world. We could afford, he says, to waive all question as to the Maine if the board does not fix the responsibility for the disaster on Spain. in order to make the greater issue. A

Secretary Long desires to have it un-Maine Disaster Cannot Be Atoned derstood that his action in ordering a medical board of survey for the examifor with Gold or Silver.

He added: "Admiral Sicard will not Washington, March 23 .- A vivid word e removed unless he desires it. The picture of the horrors and barbarities department has every confidence in him of concentration on the island of Cuba and would keenly regret the loss of was drawn in the senate today by Mr. his valuable services. It is to be hop-Gallinger, of New Hampshire. The d that the medical board will find senator recently visited Cuba personalthat his fears as to his health are unly to study the situation of the reconfounded, and that he will be able to recentradoes and to ascertain the facts concerning the general Cuban ques-It is realized by Admiral Sicard's

It was known that Mr. Gallinger was to speak upon Cuba today and long before the senate convened the galleries discharge of the arduous duties dewere packed. When the spectators advolving upon the commander in chief dressed one another they spoke in of the naval forces in home waters whispers and during the opening promuch longer. Commodore W. S. Schley ceedings it was so quiet that ordinary chairman of the lighthouse board, is conversation might have been heard regarded as most likely to succeed the hroughout the chamber.

Almost as soon as the senate convened Mr. Bacon (Ga.) introduced a joint resolution declaring that the United States should do everything in its power to preserve peace with all the nations of the world and not/be forced into a war except to preserve the honor and dignity of the nation. He said that he would not ask for immediate consideration of the resolution but would permit it to lie on the table until tomorrow.

Then Mr. Hale (Me.), chairman the naval affairs committee, quietly arose and favorably reported the bill providing for relief for the survivors of the Maine catastrophe. There was suppressed murmur of expectancy in the galleries, but the measure was read and passed with out a word of debate.

word with the secretary, among them MR. GALLINGER'S SPEECH. being Senators Lodge and Hoar and Mr. Gallinger's speech followed. He Representative Marsh, of Illinois, Abspoke in a low, clear tone of voice, disner McKinley, the president's brother, tinctly audible throughout the chamwas also among those who called, but his stay was very brief. ber. There was not a word of interruption throughout his speech. His Representative Marsh is chairman of auditors listened intently to his dehe house committee on the militia. scription of the horrors and crueities which has recently reported the bill to re-organize that body of state soldiery, suffered by the reconcentradoes, but gave no outward manifestation of their to raise its efficiency and to appropriate feelings. When he declared, however, million dollars for its support. The that a government that would starve chairman said he had spoken to Speak-400,00% of its people would do anything, er Reed recently in regard to the bill and followed this with the further deand he hopes to be able to call it up in claration that the lives of the brave the house for consideration within a men lost in the Maine disaster could reasonable time. During his interview with Secretary Alger, Mr. Marsh urged not be atoned for with gold or silver, spontaneous wave of applause swept

Local-Land Owners Ask for an In junction to Prevent Mining.

- Local-Reformer Maloney Sent to Jail, Amendment to the Firemen's By-Laws.
- 8 Local-West Side and Suburban Lackawanna County News.
- General-Philadelphia's Water Scanda1 Great Demage by Floods at Pittsburg
- and the West.

THE GREAT FLOODS. **Fowns Along the Banks of the Sus**quehanua and Allegheny Submerged -- Exciting Scenes.

Pittsburg, March 13.-The worst flood

in many years is doing great damage throughout Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana It is especially severe along the banks of the Allegheny, Monongahela, Ohio and Susquehanna rivers. Much damage is being caused in and about Braddock. Many families have been forced to leave their homos and everal manufacturing plants have suspended operations. The Westinghouse works at East Pittsburg and the Braddock Wire works are both flooded and shut down.

Scores of families in the Turtle Creek valley are leaving their houses. In many cases the water has reached the second story window.

At DuBois many acres are under water tonight and hundreds of homes are surrounded. North of Brady street, a paved thoroughfare, from east to west, DuBois is a body of water one to two miles square and ten feet deep. This water is held back by the street embankment and tonight is overflowing. Should a break occur great damage will

result. At Clearfield the west branch of the Susquehanna river overflowed its banks reaching at noon the thirteen foot mark, Reedsville and the upper portion of Clearfield and West Clearfield borough, are entirely submerged, several families having to be taken out of their houses in boats. There were some narrew escapes from drowning.

August, also drinking together. The father and son_passed some remarks about the former ordering drinks without inviting his own son to have one and one word leading to another, they were soon in a fight.

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lungs,

TRIED TO SEPARATE THEM.

self contending with the whole fam-

ily. William Saul, who happened to be

in the place at the time, ran out for

Thomas standing on the corner diag-

The officer, with drawn club, dashed into the midst of the struggling mass

and released Bird from the hold of his

antagonists. Schaunamann and Hird

both went to the floor when the officer

forced them apart. Schaunamann, mad

with rage, picked himself up and rushed

in frenzy at the patrolman. Thomas

swung his club to keep Schaunamann

off and hit him on the head, inflicting

a slight gash and causing the blood to

flow. This did not subdue Schauna-

Closing in on the officer with an open

mann, but on the contrary made him

only the fiercer.

onally opposite, called him over.

assistance and seeing Patrolman

The proprietor rushed from behind the bar and attempted to separate them. At this Schaunamann took a hand and the hotelke

West Side Hospital. Was Called Into Bird's Hotel at

North Main Avenue and Latayette Street to Quell a Disturbance .- One of the Men Who Was Mixed Up in the Disturbance, Franz Schaunamann, Drew a Hunting Knife and Plunged it Three Times Into the Rody of the officer.

Patrolman John D. Thomas was

stabled three times and probably fa-

tally wounded while quelling a brawl

in Martin Bird's hotel, corner of Laf-

ayette street and North Main avenue,

at 9.40 o'clock last night. His assail-

ant, Franz Schaunamann, a young, un-

matried Austrian, lately come to this

county, is in jail. The wounded patrol-

man was taken to the West Side hos-

he was still alive, but much dread was

entertained because of painful breath-

in the body had punctured one of the

The stabbing was cold-blooded in the

extreme. The assailant's only expla-

nation is "I was foolish. He hit me

Schaunamann, and his uncle, Gus-

tave Feicker, of 220 North Van Buren

avenue, with whom he boards, were

drinking at the bar and nearby was

Felcker's son Herman and his step-son

first and then I stabbed him."

... would indicate that a wound

pital. At an early hour this morning



Is Now Being Cared for in

ident would give the document any consideration at a late hour. It was more probable, he thought, if Lieutenant Marix arrived at a late hour, that he would take the report to a hotel for the night. There has been no change in the plan of sending the report to congress early next week, probably Monday, accompanied by a message from the president. It is definitely settled. however, that the message and papers accompanying it will relate exclusively to the Maine disaster. It will not take up the fearful condition of affairs in Cuba as shown by the reports of United States consul, these being reserved for subsequent action and a later message to congress.

MONITORS GOING TO KEY WEST. Secretary Long determined today to

order the double turreted monitors Puritan and Terror to Key West where they will reinforce the squadron in those waters. He also determined to bring into service the eight single turreted monitors at League Island navy yard, Philadelphia, two of which will be sent to Boston, two to New York, and four held in service at Philadelphia. The Puritan and Terror take the place of the battleships Massachusetts and Texas recently withdrawn from squadron at Key West. It was stated at the navy department that this move was in accordance with the programme previously agreed upon, although this programme has not been announced heretofore. The Puritan by many experts, is regarded as the most formidable fighting machine in the navy

In addition to its other preparations for possible trouble, the navy department today took steps towards utilizing ten of the sea-going revenue cuters for use along the Atlantic coast. Captain Shoemaker, chief of the revenue cutter service, conferred with Assistant Secretary Roosevelt during the day on the plans for turning over these cutters to the navy. They will be first sent to Norfolk, where additional guns will be mounted and will then proceed to Key West and become a part of the squadron there. Their main service, however, will be as naval pickets, a chair of these fleet cutters being maintained outside of the cruisers and bat-The revenue cutter service tleships. now has ready for instant and active service 124 line officers, 74 engineers,

600 enlisted men and 19 vessels, of which fourteen are on the Atlantic Two others are in course of coast. construction at Cleveland and with rush work can be completed and ready for sea in from thirty to fortry-five days. The Manning, the Gresham, the Algonquin, the Onondaga and the Windom are all new, fast and efficient vessels and could go anywhere and per- forts. The loss will aggregate several form any service that any vessel of thousand dollars. their class can perform. The Manning is considered an eighteen knot boat. All of them, it is said, quickly could be converted into torpedo boats or dynamite cruisers." Whether this last move will be made is not yet definitely Secretary Long said today decided. that it had become evident that torpedo boats could not be bought abroad and could not be built soon enough in this country, so that we might have to equip other craft with torpedoes.

BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS. The navy department opened bids today for extensive improvements at Dry i family barely escaped with their lives.

STRIKE IN PROSPECT.

Miners of Altoona Will Quit Work or April 9, Unless They Are Recognized.

Altoona, Pa., March 23 .-- After being n secret session all day the representatives of the miners of the Second district adopted the following resolutions: Whereas, the great majority of the coal operators shipping coal to the seaboard market have ignored our invitation to a joint conference to be held at Altoona March 22, and

Whereas, We deem it essential to the peace and prosperity of the miners and operators shipping coal to the seaboard that such a conference be held, because of the fact that an un-settled condition of affairs exists, therefore, be it

Resolved. That our district executive board sends out an invitation to all operators shipping to the seaboard to meet the representatives of the minurs at Altoona, on Tuesday April 5, and that no miner go to work after Saturday. April 9, until they have in-structions to do so from the district officers or district convention. Be in Resolved. That we ask the national

officers to send as many organizers as they can into the competitive fields to bring about the results arrived at in the above resolution, and be it further Resolved. That our district efficers do everything in their power to get operators to attend a conference

The convention also endorsed the candidacy of John C. Clure, of Cambria county, for the legislature. Mr. Clure was a delegate in the convention. The convention then adjourned finally.

FIRE AT OLYPHANT.

At 5 o'clock this (Thursday) morning a fire broke out in the store of George Shylack, at Olyphant, which completely destroyed the building, together with two dwellings adjoining. The Catholic church near by was only saved after heroic ef-

SAGASTA'S APPROVAL.

Madrid, March 23 .-- Premier Sagasta is noted as saying in an interview "the overnment entirely approves of Captain leneral Blanco's conduct in denying that the Maine's magazines were blown up with dynamite, as Americans have as leged.

Struck by Lightning.

Altoona, Pa., March 23.-Early this morning the residence of H. L. Burkhart, a mile west of the city, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. The

ominent member of the house who has been several times in consultation with the president recently, and who pessesses as much unofficial information of the cause of the Maine disaster, probably, as the president does, says that while the report of the board will

not fix the responsibility for the explosicn, it will be startling in its nature. The information at the capitol is that already \$25,000,000 of the \$50,000,-000 appropriated for the national defanse has been expended or contracts entered into for its expenditure.

The remark attributed to Admiral Sicard at Key West yesterday to the effect that the case of the Maine was perhaps the most peculiar in the history of modern times is interpreted here as clearly indicating that the direct responsibility for the explosion cannot be placed. During the progress of the investigation, the law officers

of the government have been giving the legal side of the case their close attention and the statement is made that the case of the Maine is indeed most peculiar. The records, it is said, do not show that ever before in the intercourse of nations has a vessel of one power been destroyed in the waters of

another without the cause of the disaster and the responsibility for it being known beyond dispute. If the court of inquiry has found, as is generally helieved, that the responsibility for the loss of the Maine cannot by definitely located the fact will present a new feature to the long list of otherwise

similar disasters. ARMY REORGANIZATION.

The army reorganization bill was adopted unanimously today by the house committee on military affairs and it was subsequently reported to the house. The bill was agreed on yesterday, but in view of the significance of the measure it was deemed best that the committee should also pass on the report which had been ordered pre-

pared, to insure the correct representation of the committee views. In passing upon the measure the committee has disposed of a very significant point as to the president's functions in war time. There was a long discussion over a proposition to insert in the bill an express provision which would permit the president to

increase the army forces immediately in case of a sudden emergency. It was pointed out that no president ever would take advantage of such a provision and that President Lincoln had set the example and his action had been subsequently justified. It was feit

by some that where the necessity for hasty action was great, subsequent approval of congress would be sufficient and the president should be given some warrant for such a step, with a requirement to secure the approval of congress at the earliest moment prac-The discussion was not on ticable. party lines, but the Republican mem-

bers of the committee differed among themselves as to the wisdom of enlarging the president's functions in this respect or to have them remain in statu quo. It was, however, concluded that it

would be best to allow the conditions to remain unchanged and the committee inserted a provision modifying section two, to make previous congressional action more binding, allowing the es-

tablishment of the third battalion war formatic., only upon the declaration of war by congress or a declaration that war exists.

Secretary Long today decided to bring into service the eight old single the means in my power."

recourse of the government for soldiers would be the state militia, who would be invited to volunteer for the countryg' defense.

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Secretary Alger was very much incrested in the arguments made by Mr. restrain Marsh and while not committing himelf on the subject seemed to regard suggestions made by him as practicable. Afterwards Mr. Marsh called on President McKinley and repeated the statements he had made to the secretary phatic declaration of the failure of au-

During the morning Secretary Alger tonomy. vas also in conference with General Miles, commanding the army, respecting the military occupation of Fort lefferson on Dry Tortugas island. The determination to garrison this fort has been reached by the secretary after a conference with his aides, and the navy the senate adjourned. department officials, and the questions now to be met are those of what improvements in the fortifications now there may be necessary.

An Order on Application for Receiver for the Guarantor's Finance

INSURANCE TROUBLE

company.

Harrisburg, March 23 .- The Dauphin unty court today granted an order returnable on Monday, April 4, on an

application made by Deputy Attorney General Reeder for a receiver for the Guarantor's Finance company, of Philadelphia, of which Thomas V. Cooper is president. An examination of the company's affairs has shown the business to be in an unsound condition. The liabilities, including the capital stock, amount to \$1,047,500; while the admitted assets are \$582,967.03, an impairment of \$464,532.97.

Philadelphia, March 23 .- The examners of the state insurance department, under date of March 1, 1898, show the total ledger assets of the Guarantor's Finance company to be \$1,841. 570.58, including \$250,000 in real estate; mortgages, \$266,169; collateral loans, \$115,838.02; stocks and bonds, \$937,000; bills receivable, \$3,570.94; cash, \$6,722.70. and some minor securities. The total ledger liabilities are shown to be \$604,-440.02. But the total admitted assets the examiners find to be but \$582,967.03. President Cooper said today that the action of the insurance commissioner was so quick that it did not give the company time to make good any im-pairment, and added that this might be done by Monday next, the date of the hearing.

Mr. Cooper said: "The Guarantor's ompany refused two years ago to enter the Casualty Insurance combination or trust, and ever since its credit has been assailed by their insurance organs or agents. It has made a brave fight, resisted every squeeze, and if given an opportunity, can even yet reist successfully. If not, we will be odged in the line of trust methods in ousiness, a line which is becoming too long for single corporations and indi-

viduals to contemplate with complacency. Not Looking for War.

London, March 24 .- The Washington prespondent of the Daily News says hat President Mckinley declared to a

recent visitor at the white house: war, and I am delieve there will be no termined to prevent it if possible by all

All the manufactories were compelled over the galleries and the vice-presito shut down and the schools were dent had difficulty in restoring order. closed for the day. When he concluded he was accorded a tremendous burst of applause which

The Fennsylvania railroad is the only road able to move trains in Clearfield the vice-president made little effort to today on time.

Mr. Gallinger, in his speech, praised At Lock Haven, the river reached nearly twelve feet in heighth. Many the courage and patriotism of Consul General Lee. His uttertances, in subportions of the city are under water. stance, were corroborative of those of All over Ohio and Indiana except, per-Senator Proctor, in his recent word haps, in the extreme northern parts. picture of Cuban distress, and his emrailroad traffic is demoralized.

At Newark, O., H. C. Rose lost his The senate then quietly resumed conlife when the East Main street bridge was swept away by the flood today. sideration of the bill making further provision for a civil government in Reports from all over Indiana esti-Alaska, and at 2 o'clock took up the mate the aggregate loss at hundreds of national quarantine bill. Its considthousands, perhaps \$1,000,000. cration had not been concluded when

NAVAL OFFICERS LEAVE HAVANA.

R. T. Thorpe was today given the Wreck of the Maine Will Also B seat from the Fourth Virginia district Abandoned.

more than likely that the navy depart-

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ment will arrange for its complete de-

Sidney P. Eppes, who obtained the Washington, March 23 .- The navy de certificate of election, was unseated by partment has arranged for the praca strict party vote. Mr. Thorpe was tical withdrawal of all its naval officers given the seat by a vote of 151 to 130. at Havana and the abandonment of The Republicans, without a break, the wreck of the ill-fated battleship voted for Thorpe and the Democrats Maine, Captain C. D. Sigsbee, Lleuten and Populists, with the exception of ant Commander Richard Wainwright Mr. Howard, of Alabama, a Populist, Surgeon L. G. Heneberger, Paymaster Ray, Chaplain John P. Chidwick, Chief Mr. Thorpe contested the seat of Mr. Engineer Charles P. Howell and Naval

McKenna in the last congress and was Cadets J. A. Holden and W. T. Cluseated. The Republican majority in verius, who have been in Havana with the house, which was 52 when the wreck, will return very soon. the Secretary Long said this morning, in house convened last summer, is now enswer to an inquiry on the subject,

No other business was tranacted.

MARIX DID NOT TALK.

voted for Eppes.

IN THE HOUSE.

Deutes the Story Coming from Minmi in Afternoon Papers.

Jacksonville, Fla., March 23 .- Lieutenant Commander Marix, bearing to Washington the findings of the Maine court of inquiry, reached this city at 7.45 tonight and left at 8 o'clock via Florida Central and Peninsula and Southern and will reach Washington at 5.25 p. m. Thursday night. The railroad wires have carried the message down the line to use all despatch. This practically makes a special of the Marix train and, without accident, Washington will be reached on the dot. Lieutenant Commander Marix was accompanied by the following officers of the Maine

Lieutenant Hood, Lieutenant Jungen, Assistant Passed Engineer F. C. Bowers, Naval Cadet Bronson and Carpenter George Helms. by her presence there. In the event of the abandonment of the wreck it is

Upon arrival here the party went at once to the Pullman car that was awaiting them and in 15 minutes were hurrying to Washington as rapidly as steam could take them. During the short time of the stay in this city, an Associated Press reporter showed Lieu tenant Marix a dispatch from Miami that appeared in the afternoon papers which he was quoted as saying "It looks like war, it certainly does." He exclaimed:

"It is utterly false. I have said nothing of the kind. I don't talk about this matter.

The Herald's Weather Forecast.

New York, March 24 .- In the middle Brazilian ships now building at La Seinne. While these might be secured, states and New England, today, partly cloudy to warm, colder to fresh northwesterly winds; probaly preceded by light rain on the Atlantic coast line; fol lowed by clear and freezing temperature tonight in the Delaware valley.

knife in his hand he lunged at him repeatedly. Thomas grappled with him and, although probably mortally wounded, bore him to the ground, and with the assistance of some citizens who arrived at this juncture, placed handcuffs on him. Then, remarkable to state, the wounded patrolman started for the West Side station house, two blocks away, dragging his stoutly resisting prisoner along SAW A TRAIL OF BLOOD. Thomas had proceeded nearly the length of a block before he realized that he was badly wounded. Grocery-

man John Rittenhouse, and one or two others who were following in the officer's wake, noticed a continuous trail of blood along the sidewalk and, catching up with him, discovered that it that he saw no reason for the officers was fairly pouring out of the bottom to remain at Hayana much longer and of his trousers leg. the probability was that they would be

Thomas at about this same moment expected home in a day or two. Capfelt himself growing weak, and turnain Sigsbee, he said, would come to Washington as soon as convenient, but ing his prisoner over to the citizens, walked slowly and painfully after them. as yet nothing has been settled in reto the station house. Arrived there, he gard to his future duty. It may be became helplessly faint and with all necessary for Lieutenant Commander haste he was removed to the West Side Wainwright, who is in special charge hospital and messengers sent in all of the wrecked vessel, to remain there directions for physicians.

for a short time longer, or at least Doctors Reynolds and Roberts, the until it is finally southed that the wreck first to arrive, undressed him hurriedcannot be raised and that there is no prospect of the recovery of any other by and discovered that he was terribly portions of the ship or its equipments. wounded.

On the left side of the body and It might be necessary also for one of the naval cadets to remain, but this is about three inches to the rear of where not regarded as probable. The return the elbow would rest when naturally of Surgeon Heneberger and Chaplain reclining and between the seventh and Chidwick will depend upon the queseighth ribs was found an inch wide tion of whether they are able to render thrust directed towards the centre of any further service. Although it is not the body and indicating that it had finally settled it is more than probable reached the lower lobe of the lung. that the Fern also will return to the United States as soon as it is deter-

A second wound was found on the inner part of the right groin. mined that nothing more is to be gained

It was two and one-half inches in length, one and one-half inches in depth and diagonal in its direction. Another terrible wound was disclosed in the same region.

struction by the use of dynamite or The wounds were dressed without torpedoes. In its present condition it is a dangerous obstruction to naviga- the administration of anaesthetics, the tion, and it is not believed that any brave-hearted officer caimly sitting in opposition will be offered to its rean operating chair watching the work of the doctors. The navy department has purchased

PHYSICIANS CONSULTED.

no further ships abroad, and the nego-Doctors Williams and Paine, together with Doctors Reynolds and Roberts, consulted after the patient was put to an battleship General O'Higgins could bed and gave it out as the opinion of not be secured. Commander Brownson the hospital staff that while the is today in Paris, having inspected the wounds were serious, they were not necessarily fatal.

The wound in the trunk was the one dreaded. How serious it is can not be told at once. The third wound referred

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they are a long way from completion and could be of little present service. What the department wants is ships which can be commissioned at once.

tiations are not proceeding in a manner to promise success. It was definitely determined today that the Chil-